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PURSUIT OF ENEMY.

On receipt of the telegram announcing the fall of Ping Kong of the 19th instant, and a later message announcing the capture of Yochow, all Government officers in Canton and officials of the Kuomintang held a great demonstration by firing off continuous strings of fire crackers, whilst motor cars were requisitioned for the carrying of flags with suitable inscriptions.

PURSUITING THE ENEMY.

The latest official communique issued is to the effect that, pursuing the enemy across the Hunan-Hupeh boundary, the Revolutionary Army has captured Tung Cheng and is advancing through Poo Ki, Tungshan and Jianming, on Wuchang. A News Agency reports that it is on this battle front that the main forces of the Northern Army are concentrated and that the Revolutionary Armies will meet with some severe opposition very soon.

A further report states that, through some inexplicable reason, the 3rd Army Corps did not arrive in time to follow up the victory of the Liling battle, thus giving the Northern Army time to strengthen their defences at Yuen Chow and Jui Chow, and to bring up more reinforcements. This delay had the effect that the unit belonging to the command of Lai Sai-wang, which was stationed at Nanchang, was suddenly disarmed and disbanded. It is stated that although the general order for the advance on Nanchang has been given, little progress has been made since the battle of Liling.

FENG'S DELEGATES.

The arrival of Hsu Chien, together with Li Nian-chung, a trusty general of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, is regarded as matter of great significance to the Kuomintang. These two personages, who are special delegates of Feng Yu-hsiang, have declared that the entire Kuomintang has embraced the Three Peoples Doctrine, and has consented to take the oath on becoming members of the Kuomintang. The specific functions of these two sections of the Party have been defined, agreed to and signed by the two special delegates. In consequence of this, the special delegates have had seats assigned to them in the inner Council of the Kuomintang and on the Committee of Political Affairs of the Canton Government.

MISSING DIVISION.

The whereabouts of the 15th Division of the Kuomintang Army, since its departure for the "front" from Canton is causing considerable anxiety. Families of officers of this division have not heard from their relatives for some time, while the Kuomintang General Headquarters is unable to locate it just now. The division was to have gone to Hunan, but where it now is has become a mystery.

APPEAL FROM SWATOW.

General Ho Ying-yim, Garrison Commissioner at Swatow and officer-commanding the 1st Kuomintang Army Corps, has sent urgent requests to Canton asking for immediate re-inforcements for his stations in the eastern districts. Fukien troops, siding with the "anti-Red" movement of Marshal Wu Pei-fu have been seen near Taipo along the Kwangtung-Fukien border. At the same time the Garrison Commissioner has been informed of the concentration of pro-Northern gunboats at Amoy and Tunshan.

COAL NEGOTIATIONS RESUMED.

SECRECY REGARDING THE DISCUSSIONS.

FUNDS FROM RUSSIA.

London, Aug. 26. The coal negotiations have resumed, four officials of the Miners' Federation this afternoon meeting Mr. Winston Churchill, Sir Arthur Steel Maitland and Col. Lane Fox at No. 10, Downing Street.

A delegation of fourteen, comprising two members of the Miners' Federation, Mrs. A. J. Cook, several District Agents and miners wives, are going to Russia to-morrow on the invitation of Russian miners, who will cover the expenses of the visit, which is expected to last one month.—*Reuter.*

SECRECY AND LITTLE HOPE.

The utmost secrecy is being maintained regarding the coal discussions which took place at Downing Street and which lasted for ninety minutes, but it appears that no immediate good results are likely and no further meeting was arranged.

A full report of the meeting was prepared most quickly and sent by special courier to Mr. Stanley Baldwin, at Aix-les-Bains.

A miners' delegation is visiting Russia for the purposes of collecting funds.—*Reuter.*

OFFICIAL ACCOUNT.

Rugby, Aug. 26. The meeting between the miners' officials and the Government, arranged at the request of the Secretary of the Miners' Federation, with a view to discussing the coal situation and reviewing the prospects of settling the dispute by negotiation, lasted for over hour and half. At the close, a statement was issued as follows:—"A meeting took place at Downing Street to-day between the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Minister of Labour, and the Secretary of Mines, on behalf of the Government, and four officials representing the Miners' Federation. The full position was reviewed, and a verbatim report will be issued to the Press to-morrow."

CABLE THEFTS.

TWO CHINESE SENT TO GAOL.

Some 600 feet of telegraph cable, belonging to the Great Eastern Telegraph Company, and valued at \$400, was stolen from a nullah, where it was deposited on the hillside between the filter beds and Mar Road, some time during the week, and of this only a certain quantity of lead covering was recovered by the police in the course of investigations into the matter. This material had been sold to a marine goods dealer, who to-day, on being questioned by the Magistrate, said he was entirely without suspicion when he paid out \$30 to the men who offered the lead at his shop.

Detective Sergeant Flaherty produced two Chinese who were without employment and whom he now charged with the theft of the cable. The defendants pleaded guilty and Major C. Willson sentenced them to two months' hard labour each. Mr. C. W. Somers, from the Telegraph Company, said he could not help thinking that when buying material of this sort, the marine goods dealer was not suspicious that the material was stolen.

The dealer, in reply to a question from the Magistrate, said he had asked the defendants, point-blank, if the lead were stolen, and they had replied that they bought the material in the streets.

His Worship reserved decision on the point as to whether or not the lead should be returned to the Company without payment.

The Observatory report states that a depression has formed over south-west China. The local forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—South winds, moderate; overcast, occasional rain.

RUBBER CONTROL.

PROTEST BY HARVEY FIRESTONE.

PHILIPPINES OUTLOOK.

Mr. Harvey S. Firestone, president of the Firestone Tyre and Rubber Company, in an article published in the *Cleveland News*, says that the Philippine Islands "could be made the richest and most prosperous country in the Far East" if steps might be taken to encourage economic development.

He analyses in great detail the effects of the British restrictive system on the production of rubber and estimates that automobile users in the United States will pay \$136,000,000 more for tyres this year than they would pay under a system of free production. He reviews the history of the Stevenson Rubber Restriction Act of November, 1922, and subsequent measures fixing prices for raw rubber.

AGAINST MONOPOLY.

"It is unthinkable," he writes, "that Americans will sit idly by and allow a commodity so vital to our welfare, transportation and commerce, to be held in the tight grip of a foreign monopoly that tells us how much rubber we may receive and how much we must pay for it."

"In January, 1923, two months after the Stevenson measure had gone into effect, I presented figures and statements to officials in Washington showing them the seriousness of the situation and succeeded in April of the same year in having Congress appropriate \$500,000 to investigate sources of rubber supply. This investigation and personal investigations I have made, show there are many tropical countries where rubber may be grown profitably."

"On account of the enormous capital involved in the growing of rubber," and as investments are without return for several years, Americans are not keen to make these investments unless they are in countries under the control of or protected by our own governments.

MUST ENCOURAGE CAPITAL.

"The Philippine Islands hold out great opportunities for America and also for the islands themselves, if proper legislation is enacted to encourage capital to invest there in rubber growing on a large scale. Soil and climatic conditions are ideal and rubber in a small way is already being grown on the islands of Mindanao and Basilan. These islands could be made the richest and most prosperous country in the Far East."

It is estimated that Great Britain now has over \$600,000,000 invested in the growing of rubber which gives big returns. There can be no question that to-day's rubber growing industry is one of the most valuable possessions of the British Empire. This fact is borne out by the significant statement of Winston Churchill in referring to rubber was "one of the principal means of paying the debt to America."

MISSING WINGSHING.

POLICE STILL SEARCH FOR STOLEN CRAFT.

Nearly a week has elapsed since the seizure, in the pirate raid on a fishing party at Lantau, of the steam launch, Wing Shing, and so far no news has been received either of the vessel, or of her crew. Police vigilance has not been relaxed, launches were sent out again this morning in an endeavour to find some trace of her whereabouts, but the opinion is now fairly general that she will not be recovered unless voluntarily released by the pirate gang.

ANOTHER STEAMER PIKED.

BIG HAUL OF CARGO REPORTED.

LOSS TOTALS \$90,000.

News of another piracy has reached the Colony, the victim in this instance being a small steamer named the Honam, which plies between Canton and Swabue. Cargo to the value of nearly \$100,000 was taken by the pirates.

It appears that the vessel left Swabue at noon on the 23rd instant, and that some 30 pirates had previously come aboard as passengers.

Whilst between Makung and Fan-wokong, the pirates rose at a given signal and disarmed the guards. They then told the officers of the ship that they must take their orders from the chief pirate and not the master. The boat was then held up whilst the pirates made a thorough search from end to end of the vessel.

In addition to robbing the passengers, the pirates took possession of about \$8,000 in cash, \$700 worth of jewellery, nearly a hundred pigs, ninety cases of marine delicacies, one case of eggs, and various other goods. The total loss of cargo is said to be over \$90,000. A bag of mail matter was also tampered with. No passengers were kidnapped.

After making their haul, the pirates got away in small boats which they met at a pre-arranged spot. Later the ship again got under way and the affair was reported on arrival in Canton.

COBHAM'S RETURN FLIGHT.

MACHINE AS SEAPLANE.

Rugby, Aug. 26.

On his return flight from Melbourne to London, Mr. Alan Cobham will discard the land undercarriage of his aeroplane at Port Darwin, which he expects to reach on September 2nd. He will have the advantage of low tides there, to refit floats for re-converting the machine into a seaplane. From Port Darwin homewards, as on the outward journey, he will alight on water at each stopping place.—*British Wireless.*

MOTOR RACE DISASTER.

FAMOUS BRITISH DRIVER KILLED.

Boulogne, Aug. 26.

The motor car race meeting has opened disastrously. The famous Brooklands rider, Captain Howey, during a hill test failed to take the second bend and his car dashed among the spectators, killed one, broke a gentleman's leg, and cut off the leg of an onlooker. Capt. Howey was killed instantly. The injured people were taken to hospital.—*Reuter.*

FORTY MINERS ENTOMBED.

U. S. MINING DISASTER.

New York, Aug. 26.

A message from Johns Town, Pennsylvania, states that forty miners are entombed at Clymer. Two bodies have been recovered.—*Reuter's American Service.*

SHIPS SUNK.

HURRICANE AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Aug. 26.

In a hurricane which blew here last night, several river boats were sunk.—*Reuter's American Service.*

NEAR RIOT.

EXCITING SCENES IN PHILIPPINES.

SEPARATION RESENTED.

A message from Camp Keithley, Lanao, Philippine Islands, dated the 23rd inst., says:

A riot almost developed between opposing sultans and datus numbering more than 100, with Colonel Carmi Thompson and his party in the centre when the subjects of independence and the Bacon Bill were discussed in speeches by Moro leaders.

The scene occurred before the residence of Major O. M. Johnson, provincial governor and once or twice the meeting seemed doomed to end in a free-for-all battle.

The speakers for independence and against the project of separating Mindanao from the rest of the archipelago were Sultan Rakan, former representative from Tampugao, Sultan Ditsian, Datu Diron, Datu Magaran and others who declared that the United States had already achieved her purpose of preparing the Philippines for self-government and the time had come to withdraw and turn the country over to the Filipinos.

SEPARATION FOUGHT.

One of the speakers said that the Moros would rather die than have Mindanao separated from the other islands and the country dismembered. He declared that he would never "consent to being separated from my Christian brothers."

On the other side, Datu Lawi, Datu Amal and others protested against the rule of the Christian Filipinos. The first declared that the American government should take over complete control of the island and that "under American rule the Moros would not be deprived of their lives and property without due process of law as they are at present."

During the addresses, speakers on both sides were frequently interrupted by loud, angry shouts from the opposing side. The noise and shouting would gradually increase until a clash seemed inevitable. But Major Johnson seemed to have the situation under control and frequently warned the group that they must maintain order.

INSULTING REMARKS.

One aged datu standing on the side lines shouted repeatedly in a loud voice, "all in favour of American rule come over to this side." By the end of the speeches the throng was divided into two hostile, excited, quarrelling camps, shouting uncompromising and insulting remarks at each other. "Well, we heard both sides' anyway," said Colonel Thompson when the meeting broke up. Sultans and datus could be heard arguing, cursing and bickering with each other long after the Thompson party had turned to other matters.

One feature of the programme which failed to materialize was supposed to have been sponsored by Colonel Langhorne. He had five anti-independence chieftains booked to make speeches before (Continued on Page 12).

THE TSINGTAU TAXES.

TOBACCO ALSO INCLUDED.

Tsingtau, August 26.

American firms are not affected by the liquor tax, as they have no such imports. The American Consul, however, has notified the Minister of the action of the Chinese authorities.

The new taxation scheme also applies to tobacco, there being a transit tax through Tsingtau of 95 cents per picul. Consequently, the British American and Nanyang Bros. Tobacco Companies are moving no tobacco from their plantations to Central Shantung.—*Reuter.*

DEATH OF FATHER SOUVEY.

16 YEARS RESIDENT IN HONGKONG.

A POPULAR PRIEST.

It is with the utmost regret that we have to chronicle the death of the Rev. Father Henri Souvey, Procurator of the Missions Etrangères in Shanghai, and for many years serving in the Mission in Hongkong, news of which has been received by cable in the Colony this morning.

The deceased Father, who was born in France in 1885, underwent his preliminary theological studies in Paris, and completed them at the General College of the Mission in Penang, where he remained for two years. He showed great promise and passed all his examinations whilst still too young to take Holy Orders. He came to Hongkong on July 10th, 1907, and was the first priest to be ordained by the late Bishop Pozzoni, the ceremony taking place at Nazareth in November of that year. After his ordination, he remained with the French Mission in Hongkong as assistant to the Rev. Father Robert until 1923, when he was transferred to Shanghai. Last year he was made Procurator of the Mission there. Twice during the absence of Father Robert he acted as head of the Mission here, and in that capacity was director of several local companies.

During his stay in the East, the deceased proved himself a hard-working priest, much devoted to his duties, and he won much popularity by reason of his geniality and courtesy. There is no doubt that the energy he put into his work undermined his health, for when he passed through Hongkong in February of this year on his way to France he was in very poor health and he never recovered from his sickness. He had hoped, however, according to recent advice to return to Shanghai in October of this year. Death took place at Auch, in South France, in the presence of the deceased's family.

FAMILY WIPED OUT.

13 MURDERED IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Eighteen persons have been arrested in connection with the killing of 13 persons and the wounding of two others in Gattaran, Philippines Islands. According to Lieutenant Villaluz of the constabulary, the investigation so far tends to show that Miguel Jove, vice-president of Gattaran, Timoteo Guillermo, Segundo Jove, and Victor Garcia were the ring-leaders in the commission of the crime. Among those arrested are a municipal councillor and one barrio lieutenant.

It is said that the principal object of the crime was to exterminate the Sagisla family of barrio Zinondongan, because some time last month Vice-president Jove fell ill and suspected the Sagisla family of poisoning him. It is said that Miguel Jove promised to give each of his accomplices P500 provided they killed the entire Sagisla family according to confessions made by murderers before Major Valdez and Lieutenant Villaluz.

Nine persons already have pleaded guilty in the preliminary investigation, including one of the ring-leaders, Victor Garcia. Vice-president Jove is still at large, having escaped to Tuguegarao, but his arrest is expected today. Some of the articles stolen by the gang, including jewelry, bolts, and shoes, have been recovered. Among the victims was a woman and a seven-months old baby.

The death occurred at the French Hospital to-day of Mr. Walter Henry Wilde Loureiro at the age of 56 years. The deceased was the son of the late Mr. Pedro Loureiro, and of Mrs. Jessie Wilde Novaes, of Lisbon.

ANTI-RED PARTY.

NEW MOVE TO ROUND THEM UP.

BLACK LIST PREPARED.

In accordance with the order to round up all "anti-Red" leaders in Canton, a search was made on August 22nd at the Butchers' Union, when one visitor to the Union was fatally shot. A search on a number of black-smiths' shops at Cha Tsai Yuan, has failed to confirm a report that "anti-Reds" have been ordering daggers.

The Central School of Military and Political Science, popularly known as the Whampoa Military Academy, with General Chang Kai-shek as the nominal Commandant, has just issued a statement practically black-listing all organisations opposing the Kuomintang, and describing them as "counter-revolutionists." The black-list includes the names of more than 25 organisations in Kwangtung, including the New National Club; the Central Labour Union; and a number of trade and professional guilds or clubs. A number of these organisations have their headquarters at Swatow.

STILL DETAINED.

There has been no street fighting among the two chief opposing factions of Canton workers for some time, but the arrested officers of the Central Labour Union ("anti-Reds") have not yet been freed. The eight officers arrested are being held more or less as hostages against further attack on members of the Kuomintang Workers' Delegate Conference ("Reds").

The Kuomintang has decided that the Dyers' Union shall not force its members to join the Party unless they are willing, and the "anti-Reds" if they so desire, may have a union of their own.

The latest struggle between the "Reds" and the "anti-Reds" occurred among members of the Block Wood Workers' Union. It is reported that four men were wounded.

PEOPLE'S PROTESTS.

The manner in which inhabitants of several districts in Kwangtung have been forced to subscribe to war bonds or to pass Treasury Notes issued by the Kuomintang is creating dissatisfaction among the people and also discord between the military and financial authorities in Canton.

Apart from the bank notes of the Kuomintang Central Bank, the exact amount of which has never been officially reported, the Government has now in circulation Treasury Notes, premium bonds, and other negotiable notes. These are being forced on the people, and the protest against accepting them has created numerous incidents. The military authorities are finding fault with methods of exacting funds which require the aid of the military; but, at the same time, it is realised that the pressing demands of the militarists have made it necessary for the Government to impose on the people all manner of levies and exorbitant taxation.

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CHINESE AFFAIRS.

S. C. A.'s REPORT FOR 1925.

Following are extracts from the report of the Secretariat For Chinese Affairs for 1925, submitted to Council yesterday.

The outstanding event of the year was, of course, the General Strike and subsequent Boycott, work in connection with which tended to dwarf completely the ordinary activities of the department. An outline of the history of this fanatical outburst is given elsewhere in the report, but it will not be fitting to let the year pass without special record of the wonderful spirit of loyalty and solidarity shown by the Chinese intelligentsia of the Colony in face of this great crisis.

Officers of service began to come in even before any calls were issued, and thereafter there was never the least difficulty in obtaining suitable volunteers for such varied posts as postal, press, and cable censors, assistants to the Food Controller, special police, special street guards and ferry-pass officers.

Helpers Pilloried.

And it must always be borne in mind that, for these volunteers, service meant much more than the actual work involved. They were instantly pilloried in Canton as "hunting dogs of British Imperialism", their assassination was openly advocated and despite censorship threatening letters continually found their way to their address. Nevertheless there were no defections and the failure of the Moscow-Canton attack before this line of defence may fairly be said to have been the turning point of the campaign. The crisis was over, and we settled down confidently to a war of attrition.

Following are extracts taken from a report under the heading of "Labour":
From April onwards reports of violent and inflammatory speeches were received almost daily, the texts being the oppression of China and China's labouring masses by the "Imperialism" and "capitalism" of the foreigner and his "hunting dogs," the "compradore" class and the general colour being "Red" of the hue associated with the "Third International." The Hoi Yuen (Seamen's Union) and the Head Labour Union (Association of Labour Union) took a very prominent part in this agitation.

"Pitched Battles"

On June 15 ten representatives from the Head Labour Union and Hoi Yuen went to Canton, where they had an interview with Lin Chung Hoi, a powerful member of the new Government with strong communist views. It was reported that this man had instructed the Hongkong delegates to set a general strike in motion. Financial assistance was promised also support, food and shelter to all strikers coming to Canton. 24 hours after this meeting many secret meetings were reported to be taking place in unions and boarding houses in the Colony. Rumours were set about to the effect that pitched battles would take place in Hongkong and that the Colony would be burnt to the ground. People were advised to leave the Colony at once, otherwise they would be shot down by British Imperialists.

There were slight material changes in the general situation in September compared with August. The Boycott continued. Practically all factories in the Colony with the exception of the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co. who were working overtime, were working with half their pre-strike staff. The labour supply was, however, quickly approaching a parity with the reduced needs of the Colony and all serious anxiety on this score was definitely over by the middle of October, although there was still some shortage in the more skilled branches of labour.

THE LEAGUE CRISIS.

FRENCH INTEREST.

Paris, Aug. 26.

The Tangier question continues to occupy the attention of the press.

The Gaulois emphasises the danger of confusing the entirely separate questions of Tangier and the reform of the Council of the League, and adds that the situation is already sufficiently serious, for Germany's opposition to an increase in the Council has put the League in a very dangerous position.

Britain Pilloried.

The Avenir and Echo de Paris reject the suggestion that an international regime should be maintained, with a Spanish preponderance. The latter suggests that France should openly declare in favour of the annexation of the international zone by Spain, leaving to Britain the onus of refusing to consent to such a solution.

The extreme nationalist organ, Action Française, cites the report in a leading British paper that Spain will be satisfied with a League mandate over Tangier, as evidence that Britain is scheming to retain her share of control at Tangier while giving Spain a purely illusory satisfaction. The paper calls on the Latin nations to rally to defeat this "plot."
—Reuter.

RUDOLPH VALENTINO.

SCANDALOUS SCENES.

New York, Aug. 26.

Many scandalous breaches of decorum occurred yesterday at Rudolph Valentino's lying in state. For example, many girls approaching the bier giggled and plied powder puffs and lip sticks. One weeping girl was found to have secreted an onion in her handkerchief, which she squeezed in order to facilitate teardrops.

The result of such incidents was that Mr. Ullman, Valentino's manager, had the Chapelle Ardente, in which the body is lying, closed at midnight, when there were still thousands of would-be sightseers in a queue half a mile long and four deep.

The disappointed crowd attempted to break in the doors, but were dispersed by the police.
—Reuter's American Service.

DOISY AGAIN.

ANOTHER SPECTACULAR FLIGHT.

Paris, Aug. 26.

Pelletier Doisy left Paris on Tuesday at 5.30 a.m., making a circuit of Paris, Rome, Tunis, Casablanca, Madrid, Bordeaux and Paris.

He was back on Wednesday at 11.14 p.m., when a large crowd cheered him.
—Havas.

KUOMINCHUN FUNDS.

ACCUSATION AGAINST CHINESE BANK.

Peking, Aug. 26.

Chow Tse-ming, president of the Kinchen Bank Corporation, was arrested this morning in accordance with Chang Tsung-chang's orders, on the ground that the bank received deposits from Kuominchun sources.
—Reuter.

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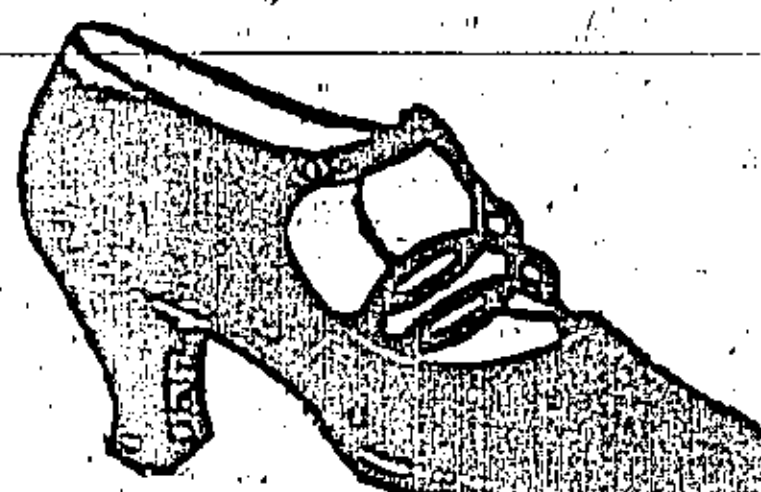
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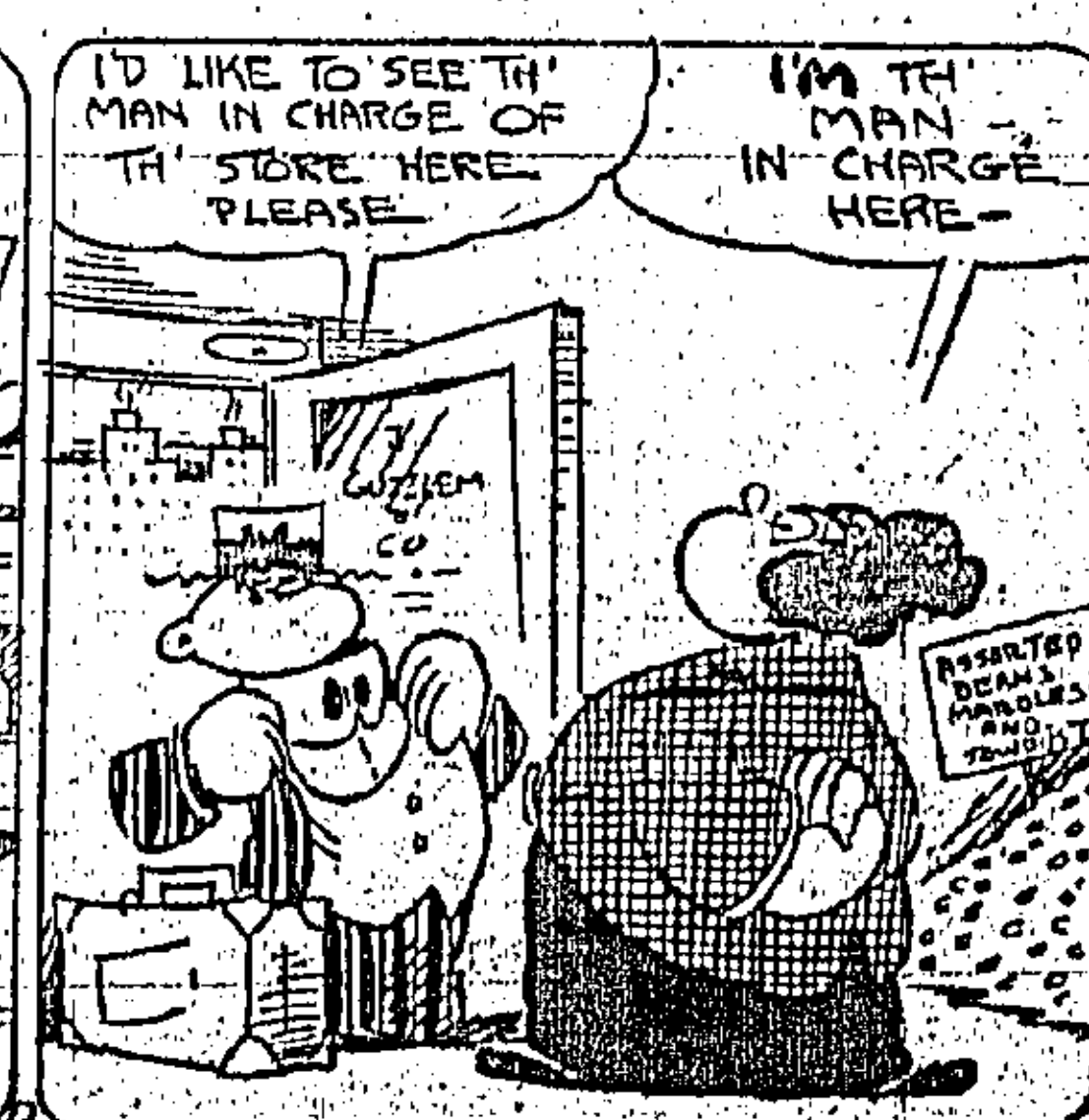
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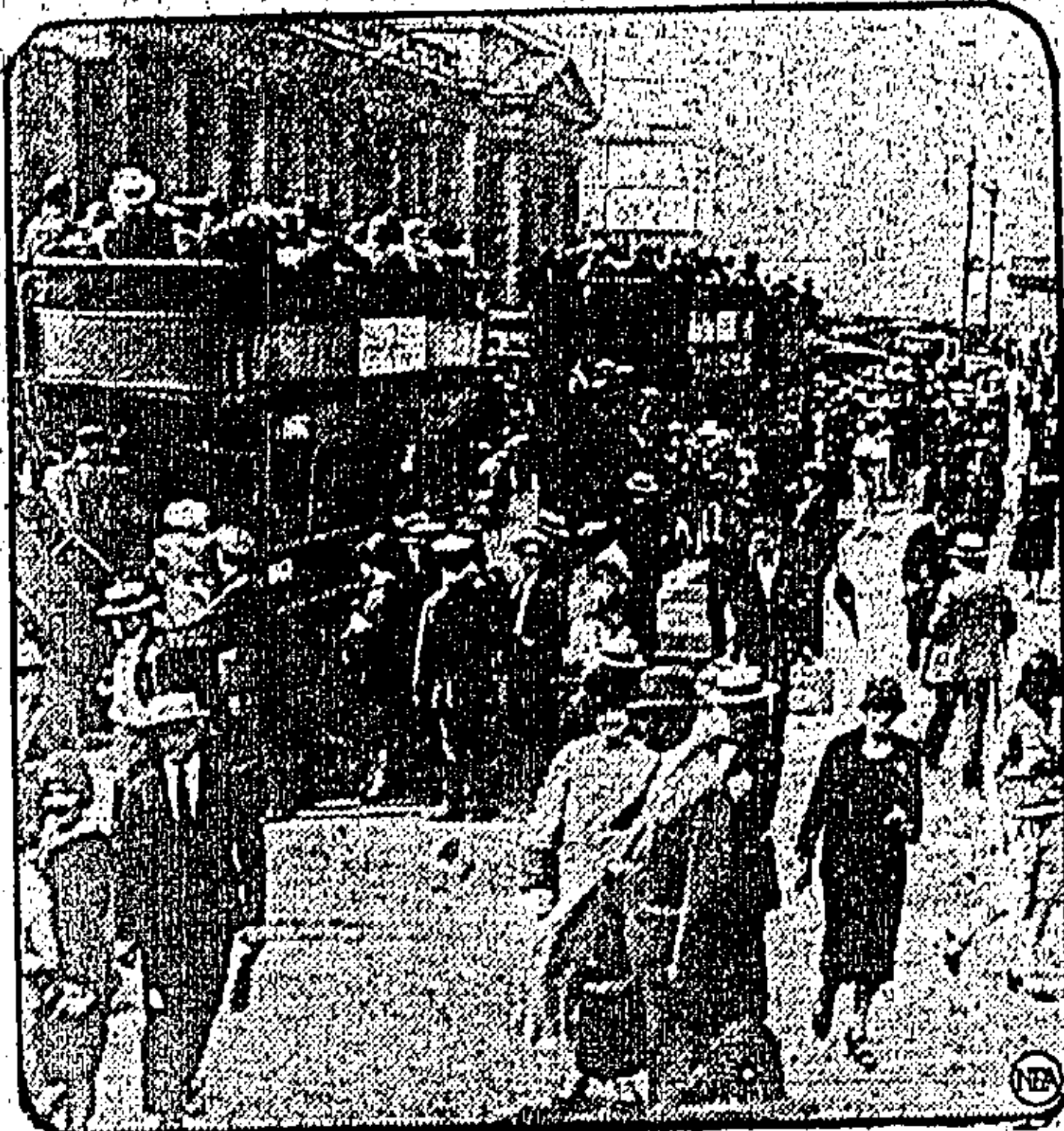
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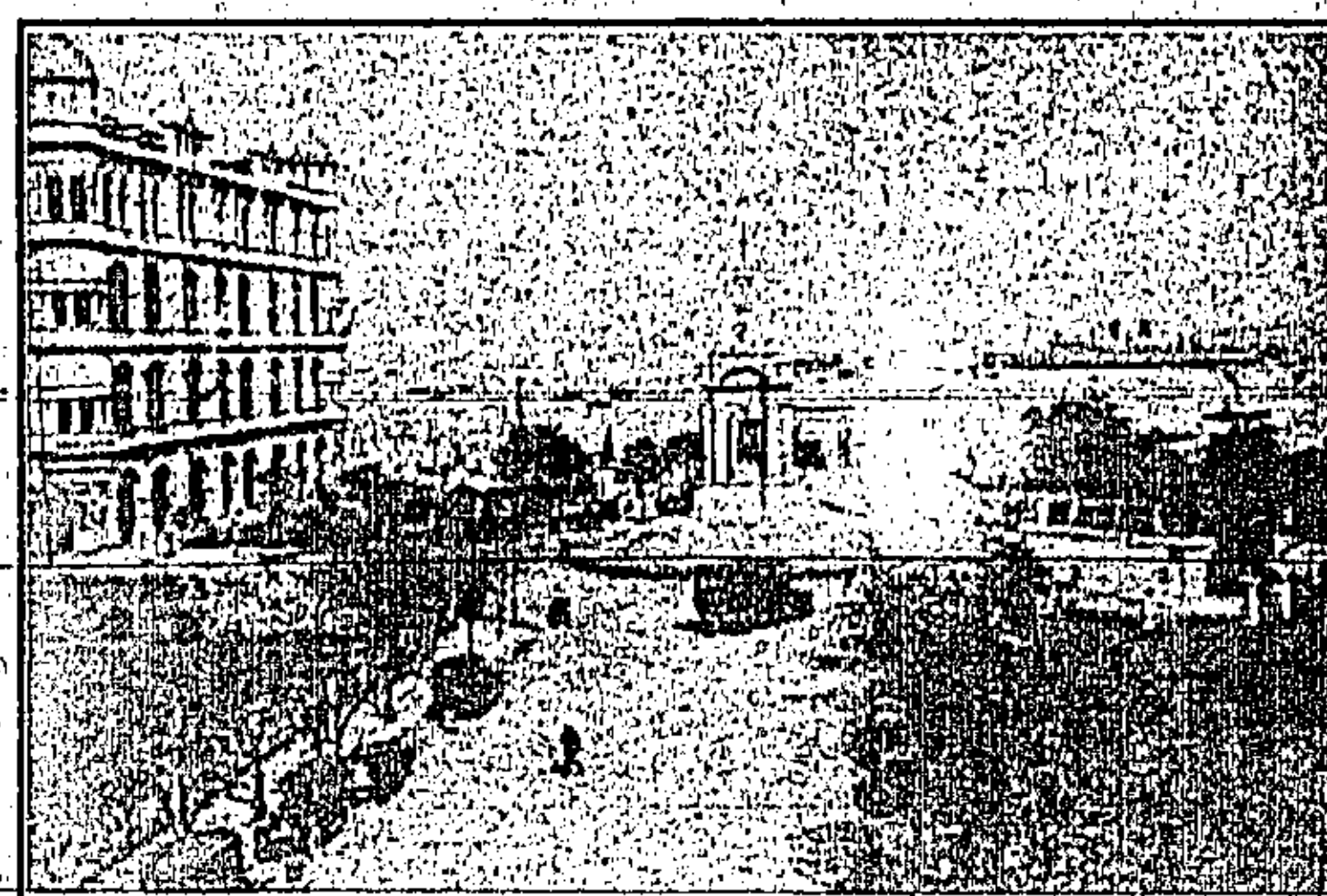
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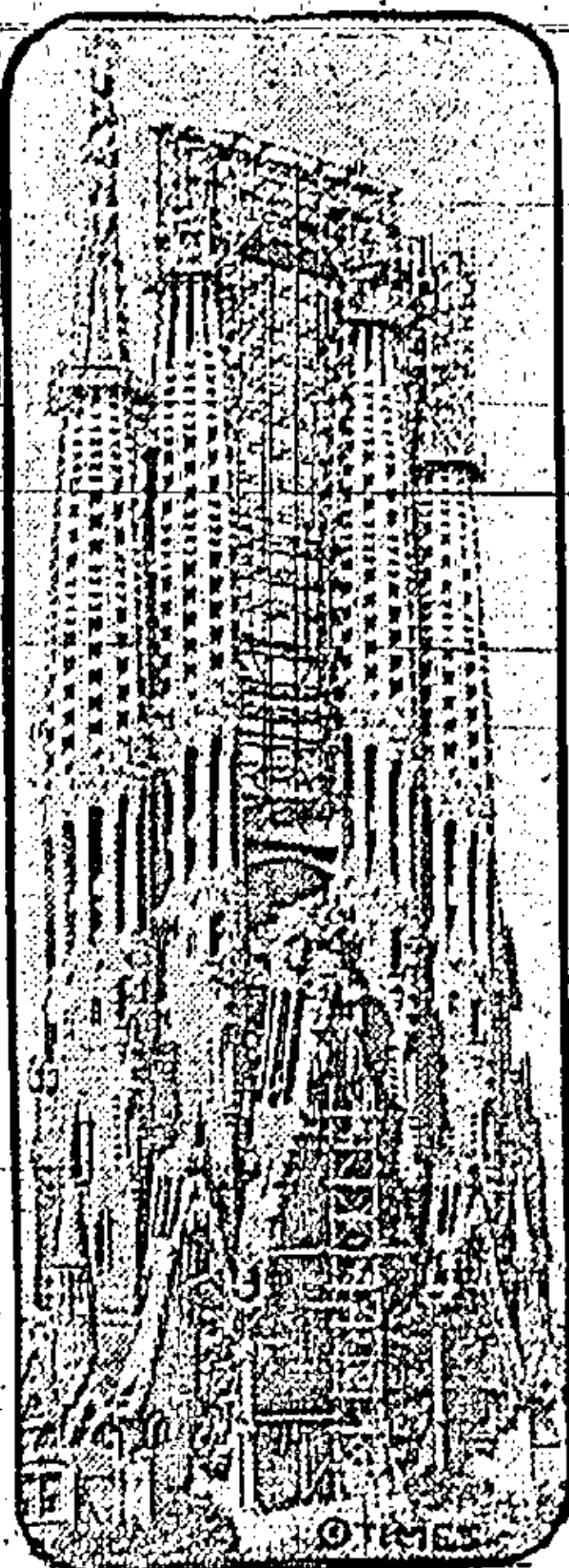
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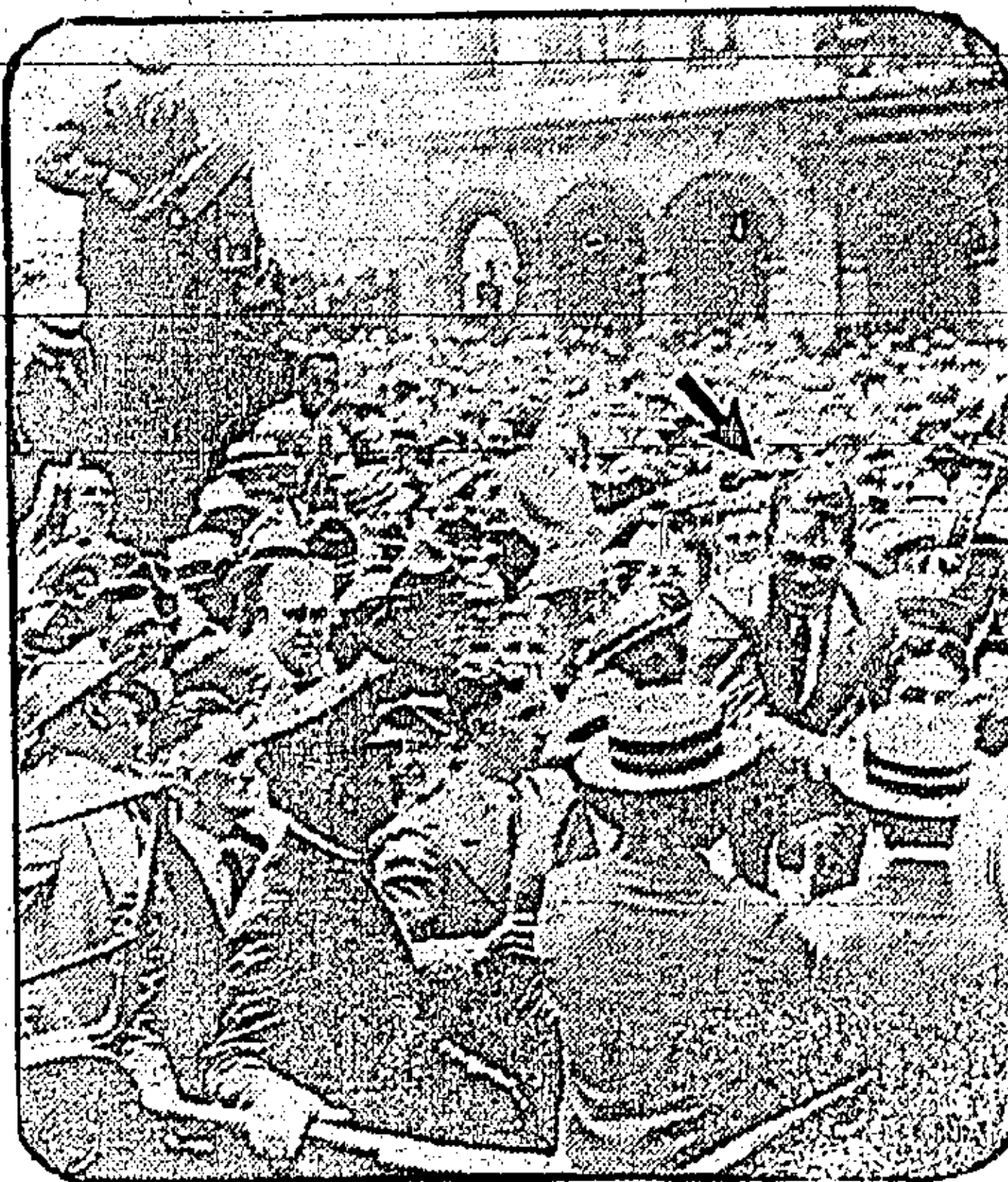
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MUSSOLINI AT WEDDING.—Benito Mussolini, premier of Italy, attended the marriage of Miss Lillian Weinman of New York to Signor Attilio Toruzzi, his Under Secretary of the Interior. He is shown here standing beside the bride, with the American Ambassador, Mr. Fletcher, standing behind them.



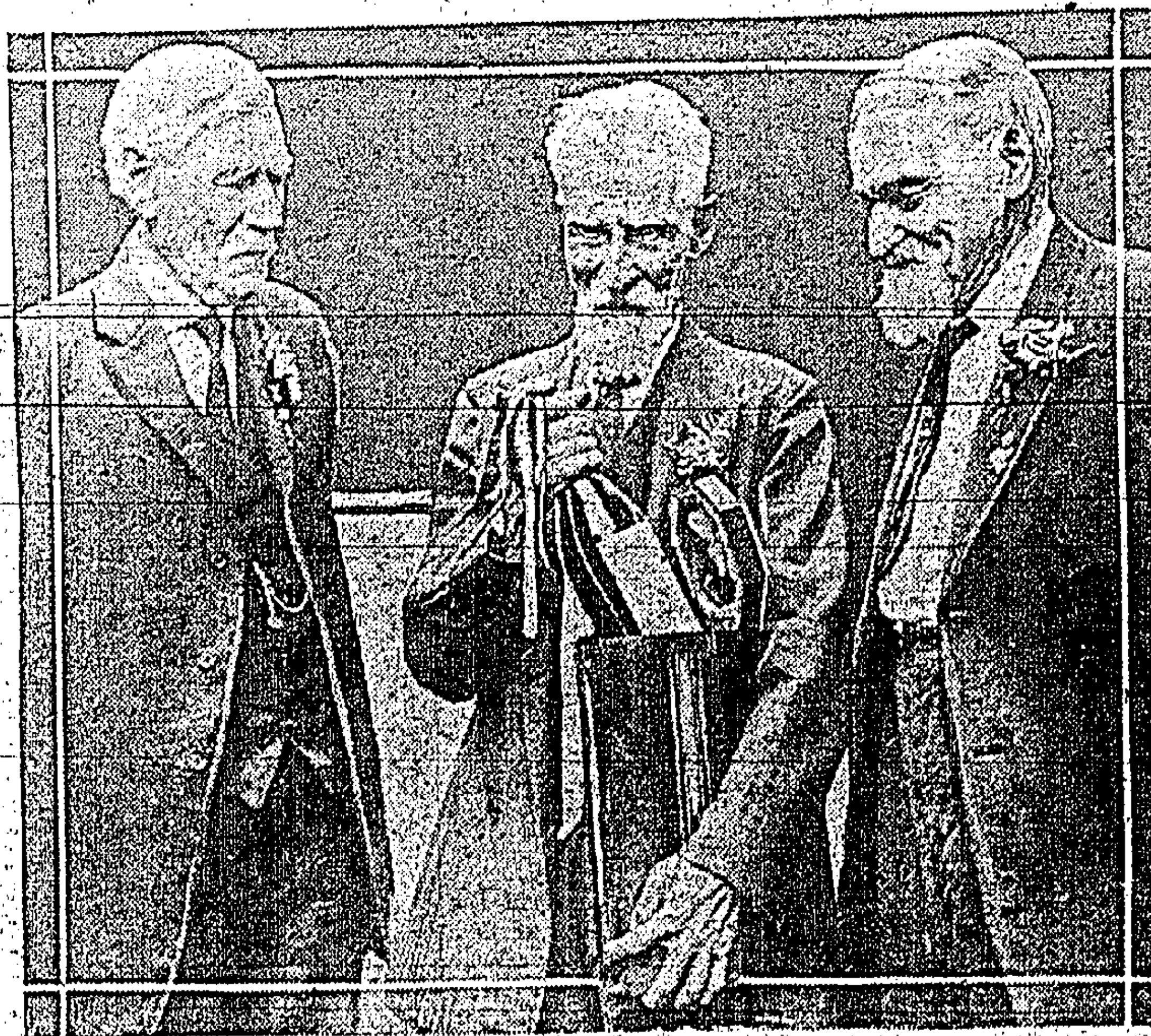
NEW CATHEDRAL.—This Cathedral of the Holy Family, Barcelona, Spain, now nearing completion, will be a final monument to the genius of Antonio Gaudi, Catalan architect. Gaudi, was killed in recent street riots in Barcelona.



CHAMPION WELCOMED.—Picture shows the welcome Bobby Jones got when he landed in Atlanta, after winning the British and American Open Golf Championships. The arrow points to Bobby, but the photo doesn't do full justice to the crowd.



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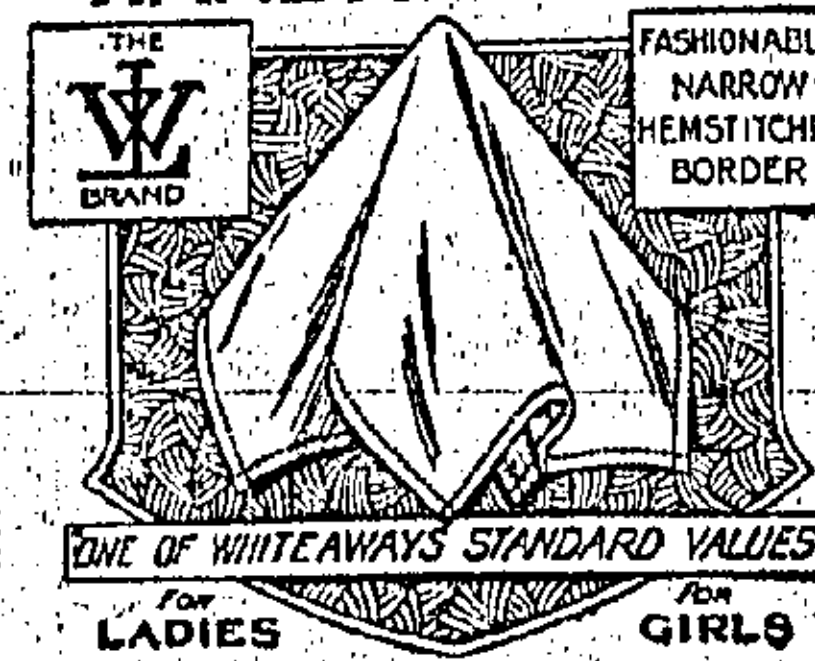
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The Parcels Post Service to Swatow is suspended until further notice.
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INWARD MAILS.

From	For	Date
Shanghai	Sinking	August 27.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	August 27.
Japan, Shanghai, Europe via Siberia	Pushimi Maru	August 28.
Shanghai	Kanchow	August 28.
Straits	Mollere	August 28.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	President Folk	August 30.
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only)		
London, 20th July	Jeyapore	August 29.
Manila	Empress of Canada	August 30.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Shinyo Maru	August 31.
Sigon	Angers	August 31.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	President Pierce	September 2.
Australia and Manila	St. Albans	September 6.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Japan	Samarang Maru	Fri., Aug. 27, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri., Aug. 27, 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Shantung	Fri., Aug. 27, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Tilawa	Fri., Aug. 27, 5 p.m.
Manila	Deucalion	Fri., Aug. 27, 5 p.m.
Bankok	Kalgan	Sat., August 28, 3.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tilaboot	Sat., August 28, 11.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Pushimi Maru	Sat., August 28, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 26th September).
Weihaioei	Hulchow	Sat., Aug. 28, 2 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Emp. of Canada	Sat., Aug. 28.
Amoy	Parcels	Noon.
Japan and Honolulu	Registration	4.15 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Letters	5 p.m.
Shanghai	(Due San Francisco 22nd September).	
Straits and Calcutta	Hozan Maru	Sun., Aug. 29, 9 a.m.
	Kiungchow	Mon., Aug. 30, 5 p.m.
	Ginyo Maru	Tues., Aug. 31, 10.30 a.m.
	Angers	Tues., Aug. 31, 12.30 p.m.
	Yatsing	Wed., Sept. 1, 10.30 a.m.
	Namsang	Wed., September 1.
	Parcels	Noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	Hanyang	Wed., Sept. 1, 2.30 p.m.
	Soochow	Thurs., Sept. 2, 1.30 p.m.
	Kingyuan	Thurs., Sept. 2, 5 p.m.

Shanghai	Emp. of Canada	Fri., Sept. 3.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Parcels	9 a.m.
	Registration	9.15 a.m.
	Letters	10 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver, B.C. 20th Sept.)	
	Linan	Fri., Sept. 3, 5 p.m.
	Parcels 3rd Sept.	5 p.m.
	Macedonia	Sat., Sept. 4.
	Registration	9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 1st October).	

Sandakan	Mansang	Sat., Sept. 4, 12.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Mingang	Sat., Sept. 4, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Suiyang	Sat., Sept. 4, 5 p.m.
Bangkok	Kweiyang	Mon., Sept. 6, 4.30 p.m.
Amoy	Szechuen	Mon., Sept. 6, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	Wed., Sept. 8, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Laisang	Thurs., Sept. 9, 5 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Kitsang	Sat., Sept. 11.
	Parcels	Noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	Pushang	Wed., Sept. 15.
	Parcels	Noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

LAUGHTER AT LENINISM.

TRANSITION STAGE IN RUSSIA.

Some vivid impressions of Russia under Soviet rule, gained during a recent visit of three weeks, were described by Captain Wedgwood Benn recently at a luncheon party given in the House of Commons by Sir John Simon.

The impression that ran like a thread through the whole was that Russia—wealthy and mighty—was in a state of rapid transition. As one man put it: "We are beginning to be forced to recognise the laws of life."

For the present, however, the dominance of the State religion, the Gospel according to Karl Marx, was almost universal. Even in the infant schools the motto was displayed: "Communism is the Hope of the World," and every factory had to have its "Lenin corner."

Captain Benn paid special attention to the factories he was able to visit, and was impressed at one and the same time by the spite of propaganda, by the low wages, by the military discipline, and by the admirable character of the welfare arrangements, such as creches for the children of the women workers.

"Give Us Time."

When he commented upon the low standard of life—wages are from 50 to 78 per cent. of pre-war wages, with a higher cost of living—the reply always was: "Give us time; the standard will rise." "And," as Captain Benn observed, "you can't argue with a prophet." The fact appeared to be that the people, being universally paid at piece rates, were working very hard, and were to some extent prompted to this by the fact that

the books of the factories were entirely open to them.

In the revolutionary theatres, with their complete absence either of scenery or curtain, and their strange system of spot lighting to indicate the more important players, he found that the things really enjoyed by the people were skits on the bureaucracy or on "propaganda," and the music of the old Russia.

"If the people are in the frame of mind to laugh at Leninism, we must surely be in the presence of transition," was Captain Benn's comment.

His experience of the Terror were not intimate, but it was significant that during his week's stay in Moscow there were a thousand arrests for political offence—"the Hamar Greenwood system carried to a much higher degree of perfection." On the other hand, ordinary crime was so lightly dealt with under the rule, exhibited in the magistrates' courts, that "The law must be administered in the interest of the proletariat," that a week's holiday for social merrymaking was allowed at Christmas.

Speaking generally, he found that the two great forces influencing Russian policy to-day were the peasants and the foreign creditors, both of whom had to be placated if the Soviet regime was to survive.

Captain Benn stressed the fact that his stay was too brief to allow of anything like thorough investigation, but declared that he came away more convinced than ever that the right policy for this country, if only for reasons of disarmament, was a policy of good relations while the transition proceeded. "Of course we want to disarm," Chicherin told him, and Capt. Benn believed that to be true. In spite of Russia's refusal to attend the Geneva Conference,

COUNCIL MEETING.

TRADE LOAN FIGURES.

Several interesting matters were dealt with at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, including the Trade Loan, it being stated that about fifteen and a half million dollars had so far been loaned out and over a million dollars repaid.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary moved the second reading of a bill intitled "An Ordinance to authorise the appropriation of a supplementary sum of \$832,249, 52 cents to defray the charges of the year 1925."

The Hon. Mr. Kotewall: Arising out of the item "British Empire Exhibition," \$205,197, under Miscellaneous Services on page 10, may I ask when a report on the working of the Hongkong Section will be published? I know that the Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs has been very busy since his return to the Colony, but I hope that he will soon be able to find time to submit a report showing the total receipts and expenditure for both 1924 and 1925, what benefits he considers have accrued to the Colony from our participation in the Exhibition, and in what way he thinks that the trade of Hongkong with the other parts of the Empire can be promoted or improved.

Motor Cars.

On page 12 under the same head, the original estimate of \$9,000 for the running expenses of motor-cars is shown to have been exceeded by \$11,008, or an increase of 120 per cent., and the explanation given is that the item was under-estimated. Knowing as I do the care which the Treasury has always exercised in the preparation of estimates, I cannot believe that this enormous excess could have been due entirely to under-estimating. But the Hon. Colonial Treasurer can tell us whether the explanation inserted against the item is adequate or not.

Under Public Works Recurrent on pages 34, 36 and 38, large to-day, savings are shown to have been effected in the items "Maintenance of Roads and Bridges" and "Maintenance of Sewers, Nullahs, etc.," the explanation furnished in every case being that the expenditure was kept down to the minimum. While I strongly support the Government in its general policy of economy, I respectfully submit that it is false economy to cut down the expenses allowed for the maintenance of roads and nullahs, for a heavy rain, not to speak of a neglected road or nullah than to one that is kept in good repair.

Development Despite Boycott.

Under Public Works Extraordinary on pages 42, 46, 48 and 50, the various items "General Works" under Roads, Training Nullahs, and Miscellaneous Drainage Works, all show very large increases, some ranging from 100 per cent to 190 per cent; and the reasons—adduced—for the excesses are either "Expenditure greater than anticipated" due to the development of the Colony, or "Necessary to keep pace with the expansion of the district." It would be a matter of considerable interest to the public to learn whether it is a fact that the amounts estimated by the Government in 1924, a normal year, as being sufficient for the normal requirements of 1925, were actually exceeded to the enormous extent I have indicated in spite of the strike and boycott as a result of the natural development of the Colony.

Soon Ready.

The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax replying said it was impossible to give an early report regarding Hongkong at Wembley because there were still accounts in connexion with the exhibition for settlement. Some arrived in the Colony from London only a fortnight ago. The uncertainty of the method of the disposal of the buildings of the Exhibition had contributed to the delay at Home but the rest of the details could now be disposed of in Hongkong and they were now in a position to see to the closing of the accounts.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer on the question of excess on motor cars said the vote was for motor cars and lorries. The P. W. D. ordered twelve new lorries and on account of nursing sisters having to live at the Victoria Hospital expense was incurred by having motor cars to take them to and fro.

With Careful Regard.

The Colonial Secretary said that with regard to the P. W. D. estimate Council might rest assured that where saving in maintenance had been made it was with careful regard to the requirements of the work.

While the Government, when the crisis came in 1925, requested the P. W. D. to reduce maintenance expenditure to a minimum they did not suggest that any really necessary work should be cut out. He thought the P. W. D. might be trusted not to have omitted any really essential part of the maintenance referred to by the Hon. Member.

As regards the under estimates or the over expenditure, to which attention had been drawn, Council would remember that the year 1925 opened with every prospect of great prosperity.

For Congratulation.

When the estimates were framed he gathered that it was not possible to foresee exactly to what extent that prosperity would take the Colony. The votes therefore could not be estimated with very great accuracy and the Colony could, he thought, be congratulated on the fact that in spite of the crisis its prosperity was such as to render the estimates totally inadequate.

It could also be congratulated on having ample funds available to meet the heavy expenditure which was incurred. He might add for the information of Council that every possible effort was being made to assure that the estimates for next year were prepared with every regard for the total expenditure likely to be incurred. He hoped that it would not be possible for members to draw attention to large over expenditure when the estimates for 1927 came to be criticised.

The Bill was then read a second time and after being considered clause by clause in Committee was read a third time and passed.

The Trade Loan.

The Hon. Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to charge a certain loan upon the general revenue and assets of the Colony of Hongkong."

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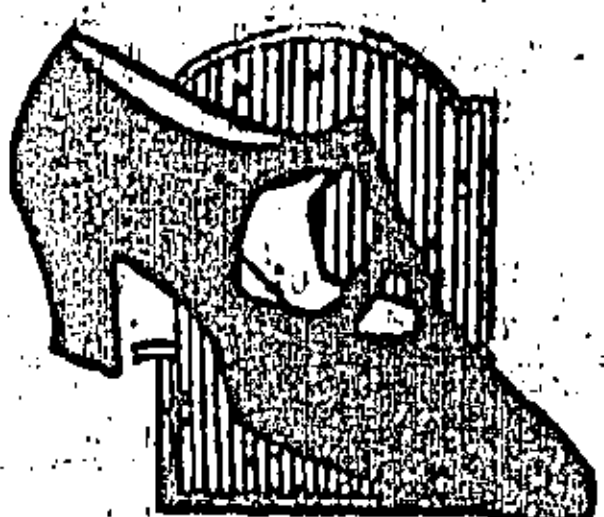
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EDUCATION IN
HONGKONG.DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR
1925.

In this Colony where lack of
playing fields is such a sad, if in-
evitable, handicap to our schools,
states the 1925 report of the
Director of Education, placed be-
fore the Council yesterday, it is
pleasant to be able to report that a
football ground and a ground
available for tennis courts, both
in King's Park were placed at the
disposal of the Central British
School at the end of the year. It
is hoped that a good ground in
King's Park will also be provided
for Yau-mat School; where the
pupils who are keen sportsmen
may not only play football and
hold their sports but also if it can
be arranged, be taught to play
cricket.

In spite of lack of school
grounds, it should be possible to
arrange for cricket matches be-
tween the bigger schools, Govern-
ment and Grant-in-Aid, by bor-
rowing certain Club grounds.

Queen's College are fortunate in
having a football ground at Cause-
way Bay, and much is expected
from the new Queen's College
playing fields, but that lies in the
future. The Indian Recreation
Club has done much for the pupils
of the Ellis Kadoorie Indian School
by placing its ground frequently
at their disposal.

Growing Requirements.

The report goes on to state that
the Quarry Bay Junior School,
started in 1924, had a most suc-
cessful year under able manage-
ment. The new building is well
advanced. Our thanks are again
due to Messrs. Butterfield and
Swire for their kindly interest in
the welfare of the school and for
their loan of its present premises.
The Central British School is al-
ready finding that the 5 new class
rooms built in 1924 are not enough
to provide for its natural expan-
sion.

Similarly the Kowloon Junior
School needs accommodation if it
is to meet the growing require-
ments of the neighbourhood.

With regard to English-Teaching
Government Schools (for other
than British pupils), a comparison
of the total roll in May and in
December shows how these schools
were affected by the troubles that
began for the Colony in June.

In May the numbers were 3,190
and in December they were 1,808.

At the same time it must be re-
membered that numbers are not
necessarily a measure of efficiency.

The sudden fall in numbers
chiefly affected the higher classes,
and instead of admitting large
numbers of younger pupils to the
lower classes, it is recognised that
the sounder method is to build the
school up gradually, allowing it to
reconstruct itself by natural stages
and avoiding a temptation to em-
phasise the importance of mere
numbers.

Cost of Department.

The only Revenue collected by
the Education Department comes
from school fees, which amounted
in 1925 to \$94,416.00 as against
\$121,478.00 in 1924.

The Expenditure was \$1,019,
905.23, an increase of \$86,980.58
over the previous year. These
figures do not include Expenditure
on School Buildings or Furniture
which are debited to Public Works.

The increase is mainly due to an
increase of \$36,500 in Personal
Emoluments caused by the employ-
ment of more staff in the first half
year; of \$15,000 for Fees and
Maintenance for Students in
Training at Hongkong University;
of \$5,400 in Rent; of \$11,400 in

TSINGTAO TAX LEVY.

FOREIGN IMPORTERS RAISE
PROTEST.

Tsingtao, Aug. 26.

The Port Authorities arbitrarily
commenced on Monday levying a
tax upon foreign importers of fif-
teen per cent *ad valorem* on wines
and spirits, and three cents on
each bottle of beer.

The importing firms at first re-
fused, as the Chinese merely de-
clared the tax operative since
August, but did not put it into
effect previously. Owing to
diminishing stocks several firms
were forced to pay, in order to
secure release from the wharf
and godowns.

Strong protests have been lodg-
ed with the British, American and
Japanese Consuls against this
illegal procedure and forwarded to
the Legations.—*Reuter*.

SOVIET AND CHINA.

DENIAL OF AID FOR
MILITARISTS.

Peking, Aug. 26.

Speaking to pressmen this after-
noon, the Soviet charge d'affaires
declared that rumours of a loan to
Feng Yu-hsiang were unfounded.
He also denied that either financial
or military aid had been given
or was intended to be given to
any Chinese faction.

The Soviet, added the charge
d'affaires, did not intend railway
construction either in Mongolia
or Manchuria, only desiring peace-
ful relations with Japan and
China.—*Reuter*.

A SPANISH PROBLEM.

ARTILLERY CORPS AGAINST
DE RIVERA.

St. Jean de Luz, Aug. 26.

A very serious situation has
arisen in Spain, according to
French reports.

It appears the Artillery Corps
has petitioned King Alfonso de-
manding the dismissal of General
Primo de Rivera. The latter re-
plied by drawing up a decree dis-
solving the Artillery Corps, but
the King has refused to sign this
decree.—*Reuter*.

der Capitalization Grants of \$3,400
in the subsidies paid to Vernacular
Schools; and of \$10,000 under
Building Grants.

Technical Institute.
Regarding Technical Institute
classes, gratifying reports, the re-
port states, continue to be received
of the good work done in
various schools by teachers who
have been trained in these classes.

In October an effort was made
to establish Classes in Kowloon.
The popular demand said to exist
almost ceased as soon as provision
was made to meet it. There were
grounds for expecting that the
Classes would be largely attended;
in the result, Classes in Shorthand,
Mathematics and French were
formed and have continued with
fair success; the Book-keeping
Class is in a moribund condition.
Preparations were made to open
Classes in Practical and Theoret-
ical Chemistry and in Physics,
the number of applicants for ad-
mission did not justify the forma-
tion of the Classes; in Cookery,
for which there was said to be a
very great demand, there was not
a single applicant, although a high-
ly-qualified Teacher of long ex-
perience was prepared to take
charge.

SOUTH AMERICA AND
THE SOVIET.PROMINENT VISITORS
ARRIVE.

Moscow, Aug. 26.

A party of four hundred South
American tourists have arrived at
Leningrad aboard the German
steamer, Cap Polonio, including
some of the leading statesmen of
Argentina, Uruguay, Chile and
Brazil, also German bankers and
manufacturers.

The party has been heartily
welcomed.—*Reuter*.

UNITY OF UNIONS.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONFERENCE
CONCLUDED.

Berlin, Aug. 26.

The Anglo-Russian trade union
committee has concluded four days
of meetings here.

It is most secretive as regards
the deliberations, but the fact that
the meetings were protracted to
nearly midnight daily, is regarded
as indicating that the differences
on the question of uniting the
trade union movement in Europe
have in nowise been overcome.

The result of the discussion will
be embodied in a protocol for sub-
mission to the respective execu-
tives, and will not be published.

The five British delegates have
left for London by aeroplane.
They declined to see pressmen.—
Reuter.

GEN. PANGALOS.

TAKEN TO A CRETAN
PRISON.

Athens, Aug. 26.

General Pangalos has been
transferred from the island of
Aegina to Crete, where he is de-
tained in Izzadin Prison.—*Reuter*.

REVIVAL OF ENGLISH
EMBROIDERY.

Bond Street will have to wait for
some months now for the exhibi-
tion of modern embroidery, which,
unfortunately, had to be postponed
owing to the strike. It cannot now
take place until January. The de-
lay will give time for widening the
scope of the exhibition, and a new
section devoted to designs for em-
broidery will be added. The
Queen has promised to send some
interesting pieces of the section in
which old lace and old quilting will
be shown.

Some of the exhibits of modern
embroidery will be the work of
men, many of whom are experts.
It is a curious fact that nearly all
the big collections of needlework
in the country are owned by men.
Sir William Lawrence, for exam-
ple, having a particularly fine col-
lection. It is intended to show by
the exhibition in Bond Street that
English embroidery can again
hold its own with that of any other
country.

It is reported by the Academy
of Science in Leningrad that a
geological expedition led by Pro-
fessor Nenadkevitch along the
banks of the River Amur, in Si-
beria, has discovered near Ust
Kara, the skeleton of a mammoth,
of great size and in excellent pre-
servation. Steps are being taken
to convey the entire skeleton to
the Leningrad Zoological Museum.

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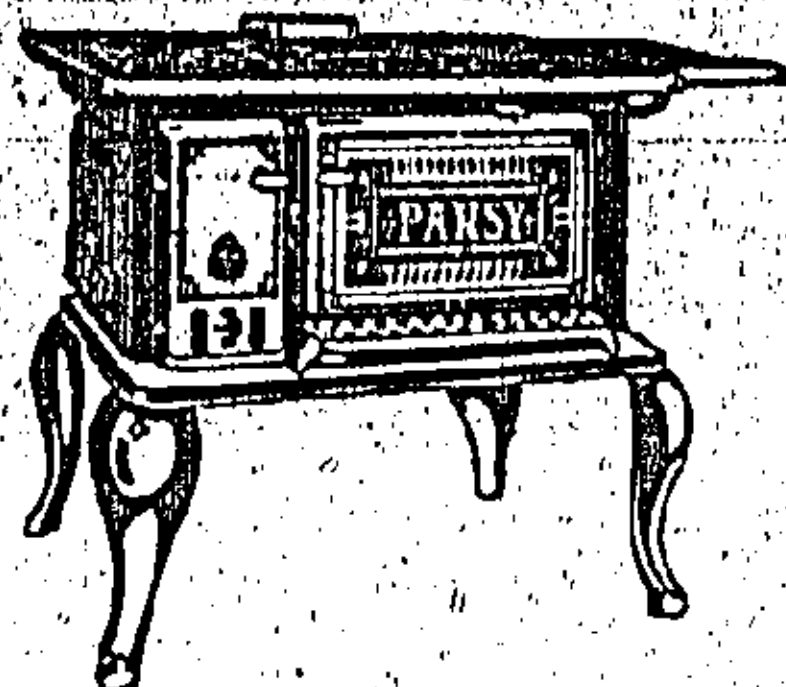


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FLOOD DANGERS.

Although the Hon. Dr. Koch, at yesterday's Council meeting, withdrew his resolution on the subject of the necessity of steps being taken to prevent, as far as possible, a recurrence of the damage by the recent floods, he did perform a distinct public service in bringing forward several most important points. As he himself said, his object was not to cast reflections on the Public Works Department, the main idea which he had in view being the bringing of all available expert knowledge to bear on a subject of vital concern to the Colony. It is realised, of course, that the peculiar configuration of the island is a big factor in the damage which is periodically caused by floods; but it is both fair and reasonable to suggest that possibly engineering skill has not hitherto been applied to the fullest extent possible to prevent serious disasters of the kind recently experienced. It was doubtless to secure such an end that Dr. Koch suggested the formation of a Committee of experts, both from within the Government and from outside, to go into the whole question.

These floods, after all, are a very serious matter for the Colony, for the damage which they cause involve both the Government and private property owners in tremendous expense. We get some idea of that from the fact that the July disaster is likely to mean an expenditure of something like a million dollars of public money, to say nothing of the bills which private individuals will be called upon to pay. It is therefore essential that every possible step should be taken to get to the root of the trouble and to devise schemes which, within the limits of human ingenuity, shall minimise the dangers that arise when these deluges periodically occur. Whilst it is true, as Dr. Koch pointed out, that new road cuttings and new building sites suffer severely in these floods, it is, at the same time, to be noted that in many instances during the recent disaster there were quite big slides at spots where there has been no interference with the soil. This, of course, is in great part due to the fact that so much of the soil here is little else than disintegrated

granite. However, in the main the greatest damage is done where there have been building or cutting operations carried out, and we find ourselves in agreement with Dr. Koch when he urges that every precaution should be taken in work of this kind to guard against the danger from landslides. Much was said, in the replies to Dr. Koch's resolution yesterday, regarding unforeseen occurrences in connection with the recent floods. We agree that the magnitude of the deluge and certain results which sprang therefrom were largely unexpected, but that does not mean that everything that could be done, in view of such possibilities, had been done.

As we see the question, no harm and possibly a good deal of good would have resulted from the appointment of a committee of experts to go into the whole subject and bring their technical knowledge to bear on the many issues involved. However, we have official assurances that the P. W. D. is going thoroughly into the matter from all standpoints, and we hope that it has the requisite technical men to cope with the task. In the matter of retaining walls and general building operations, it is to be questioned whether in the past there has been adequate supervision on works in progress. It is here that many defects could doubtless be discovered and remedied in time. We would, in fact, say that inadequate supervision of constructional work is one of the worst evils from which the Colony suffers. And we trust that this is one of the matters which will receive special attention now that we have learned by costly experience what floods can do in this Colony.

A Dirty City.

Time was when we used to boast about our town—its tidiness and cleanliness. But we cannot boast to-day, for wherever one goes there are to be found half-completed jobs causing obstructions, piles of dirt and a general untidiness that annoys. Let anyone take a tramcar ride from the Post Office to Happy Valley and back and notice, critically, the condition of our roads and thoroughfares. The Pedder Street corner by Jardine's and the Hongkong Hotel is a dangerous disgrace, and there apparently is no intention to hurry along with the job. The Praya East and adjacent roads almost make one despair, and the roads round Happy Valley and the general atmosphere of dirtiness and untidiness everywhere are really worrying. A visitor to Hongkong at the moment must have a very bad impression of the manner in which we look after things. Buildings, too, are seemingly left in derelict state of incompleteness much more than used to be the case, and one cannot resist the temptation that we are slackening up in our control of the amenities of the Colony and are less proud of its appearance. We want all our officials of the P. W. D. to be a little more mindful of appearances and conveniences than they are at present. The way in which roads are obstructed or torn up, or the way in which heaps of sand and dumps of scaffolding are allowed to lie about everywhere is more than a little thoughtless. As regards the work of clearing up the remains of the big July storm, there is a room for the continuation of the special work that was undertaken directly after the deluge. There is a great deal of debris yet to be cleared away and if this work were tackled in earnest, with the aim of making the Colony generally tidier and neater than it is at present, we think that a very worth while work would be done.

In a water polo match at the V.R.C. baths last evening, the Club de Relevo defeated the Central British School "B" team by five goals to all. The scorers were Marcel Xavier, Carvalho, (2) and Perofro.

DAY BY DAY.

WE MUST TRULY SERVE THOSE WE APPEAR TO COMMAND.—Fenelon.

There were two Chinese cases of typhoid fever reported yesterday.

Lieut. Comdr. C. B. Allen has been appointed to H. M. S. Titania for command of a submarine.

Two Chinese cases of enteric fever were reported in the Colony on Wednesday.

Quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Saigon on account of cholera have been withdrawn.

Playing in the Hong Doubles tennis tournament last evening, Capt. Howard and Lieut.-Col. Edmeades (owe 6/1) beat Sewell and Grimble (owe 3/6) by 7/5, 7/5.

Mr. H. R. Major has reported by letter to the police that between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on the 26th inst., motor tools were stolen from his motor cycle when it was left in the Union Insurance godown.

Mr. Lee of No. 8, Robinson Road, has reported to the police that he left a richly embroidered bedspread in a taxi, whilst travelling between the Sun Company and Central Market.

Mr. D. Eakman has reported to the police the theft of an Omega watch, valued at \$20, from his room in Empress Lodge some time last night or in the early hours of this morning.

We are asked by the management of the Cafe Restaurant Parisienne to draw the attention of its patrons to the fact that a special dinner will be served to-morrow night, as per advertisement appearing elsewhere in this issue.

By tampering with the bolt of the back door, a thief was enabled to enter a shop at No. 60, Bridges Street, the night before last. He stole various articles of jewellery valued at \$50. The intruder also turned his attention to the counter, from which he took a sum of \$180.

Mr. Geo. W. Grey, F. S. I., Architect to the Hongkong Realty and Trust Company, Ltd., has been elected a Member of the Royal Sanitary Institute. We understand his election was owing to his work and writings, in connection with sanitation and plumbing, relating to public health.

An alarming accident has occurred on Ulu Piah tin mine, according to an Ipoh message. A four inch water main burst and Mr. Dickson, the assistant manager, was struck in the chest and rendered unconscious. The latest news however is that he is progressing favourably. Mr. Dickson is well-known in Malaya in connection with his cricketing capabilities.

Evidence of arrest by the Macao Police was given at the resumed hearing of the "Woosung" Street robbery case, which again came before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The witnesses spoke of arresting the four defendants in Macao after receipt of information from Hongkong. The case was adjourned till this afternoon.

The decoration of the Golden Grain of the Second Order With Sash has been conferred on Wang Lingoh, Chinese Consul General in the Philippines. It is learned that he will shortly be summoned to Peking where he will receive an appointment to a new post of greater responsibility. His term of service in the Philippines was fixed at two years and this time has almost expired.

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Helikon, Proteus, Tjikembang, Kumsang, Bintang, Fooksang, Tjikandi, Kanchow, Jeypore, Nellore, Pres. Polk, Empress of Canada, Hoopsang, Tean, Sulsang, Hwahcheng, Tanda, Fushima Maru, Sanuki Maru, Samarang Maru, Shantung, Kaigan, Tilawa and Deucalion.

The death at Copenhagen is reported last month of Captain M. S. Harloe, who was taken sick while in command of a Moore-McCormick vessel. Captain Harloe was in Yokohama and Kobe for several years in charge of the U. S. Shipping Board interests, and the report of his death will be a matter for keen regret among the very large circle of friends in the Orient.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE BATHING QUESTION.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—As one of the "93" who accepted the invitation to send suggestions in to the Bathing Beach Committee, may I be allowed to express my keen disappointment at the report of that Committee?

I am afraid that my letter will be misconstrued as sarcastic, but I can assure you that I am as sincere as I am disappointed.

It would be interesting to know whether all the Committee members possess their own matchsheds. Naturally, were I an owner of a matchshed and given a seat on a Committee charged with determining the best form of accommodation for bathing purposes, I should in all probability vote for the continuance of the present system. Not only has the present Committee boosted the private matchshed, but it has had the audacity to suggest that no more matchsheds should be allowed on the only beach which is served by suitable transport!

However, an effort has been made to cater for the masses, for, according to the committee, "It is the custom for owners of matchsheds and their friends to spend long hours on the beaches and indeed not infrequently the whole day, taking meals in the matchsheds." Later the report deals with the masses—"We recommend that facilities be provided for the erection of two matchsheds...dividing each into 16 cubicles!" In one breath it is admitted that people desire to spend the whole day on the beach, and in the next, it is suggested that a matchshed with 16 cubicles be erected to cater for them! How on earth, Sir, am I going to spend the day on the beach with my family when the only accommodation I can secure is a small cubicle in a sort of communal matchshed?

Personally I am convinced that those who have been given an opportunity of remedying Hongkong's paucity of bathing facilities have dismally failed to recognise that there are hundreds of people who have a right to enjoy sea bathing, but who cannot afford to spend hundreds of dollars on a matchshed, or who cannot obtain the sanction for a site if they are prepared to pay. Life in this trying climate is miserable enough in all conscience, and it has to be recorded that neither the Government nor the handful of affluent residents who formed the Committee, have had the sympathy or enterprise to provide decent facilities for the ordinary resident who, in his small way, assists in keeping the Colony going. Enclosing my card.—Yours, etc., WEARY.

Hongkong, Aug. 26, 1926.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are extracted from the Telegraph files for the week ended September 2nd, 1905.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 10 11/16.

The Hongkong St. Andrew's Society announced its intention to award prizes to children of Scottish parentage who showed the best knowledge of Scottish history, the examination to be held in February, 1905.

The conclusion of peace between Japan and Russia was announced.

It was reported that the Chinese boycott of American goods, arising out of the new exclusion laws, was paralysing the Pacific flour trade.

The amalgamation of the businesses of Messrs. H. Percy Smith, S. A. Seth and J. Hennessy Seth was announced.

The report of the Hongkong Hotel Company up to June 30th, 1905, showed a profit on working account of \$114,540, compared with 95,077 for the previous year. The intention of doubling the capital of \$500,000 was announced.

The removal of Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co. to new premises in Chater Road was announced.

A severe typhoon was experienced at Shanghai, the city being seriously flooded.

The birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ram was announced.

An Imperial Decree was issued in Peking for the suppression of the anti-American boycott.

The Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson presided at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., at which it was stated that the Company's prospects for the coming year were promising.

At the ordinary annual general meeting of the members of the Perak St. Andrew's Society held at the Ipoh Club, it was stated that during the year 24 new members have joined the Society and the total active membership is now 163. Mr. H. R. Stewart, chairman, announced that no calls were made on the funds for charitable purposes during the past year, but the society was now well situated to meet any ordinary call which may arise from deserving cases among fellow-countrymen who may have fallen on evil times.

The Very Idea!

New York soon is to lose the money at home? Woman—No, notoriety that it attached to own-dear.

ing the world's tallest building. Detroit is making ready to erect an 81-story building, 873 feet high. I "leathered" him. He argued that Yokohama was in Spain, when I knew all the time that it was building, and New York City has realized tremendously on the advertising value thereof, but now it must be prepared to take a back seat.

The only thing that is permanent is change. The towers of yesterday are the pigmy huts of to-day, and the Woolworth tower of to-day must bow to the "Book to buy Alf a new pipe." Tower of to-morrow.

Fair "Newspaper" Visitor—"And so you work in the composing room! Isn't that fine! Won't you sing something you've composed?"

Since bobbed hair came in and Judge Clegg, in Shoreditch large hats with feathers went out, County Court—You don't get nine the Australian farmers have been selling their ostriches, and the factories have been losing their trade. Many of the hats are small now and made of felt or straw with little or no feathers on them.

He mixed a lemon soda and He watched the water squirt. A lot of it went in the glass. The rest upon his shirt.

Lambeth Magistrate to a woman all outfit. No doubt the sister who asked for time for the payment of a fine—Have you any rest on this weighty subject?

GUN-RUNNING FIGHT.

AEROPLANE BOMBS
STEAMER.

New York, Aug. 26.

A battle between a Government bombing aeroplane and a gun-running vessel endeavouring to land arms for the revolutionary forces is described from Mangua. Two former American aviators, now employed in the Nicaraguan Constabulary, located the vessel off Corinto and, dropping to a low altitude, discharged a shower of bombs. The vessel went out to sea, the crew machine-gunning the aeroplane which pursued the vessel till the bombs ran out. The same night the aeroplane replenished and returned and dropped more bombs, but darkness ended the fight.—*Reuter's American Service.*

ROBBERY CHARGE.

SNATCHING INCIDENTS
MENTIONED.

The man arrested at Aberdeen yesterday morning in connection with the theft of a ring and a small sum of money in circumstances which caused a charge of robbery with violence to be instituted against him, made a formal appearance before Major C. Willson this morning and was remanded for twenty-four hours in police custody.

The man's name is Wong Kai-man and his age is given as 29.

It was explained by Detective Sub-Inspector Lane, prosecuting in the case, that a certain statement was made by the defendant which has led the police to hope, that with his assistance, they may be able to trace the man who was responsible for the cases of snatching from European ladies in Bowen Road, during the earlier part of the week.

TURKISH PLOT TRIAL.

FOUR DEATH SENTENCES.

Constantinople, Aug. 26.

The second important trial arising from the alleged plot against the life of Mustafa Kemal, has ended at Angora, where a number of ex-members of the committee of the Union of Progress were charged with instigating the conspiracy.

The Public Prosecutor read a lengthy document reviewing the Committee's history and ascribing to its moral effect the fatal consequences of Turkey's participation in the Great War. The prosecutor demanded that four of the accused men be sentenced to death, seven banished and the remainder acquitted.

The ex-Finance Minister, Davud Bey, Nazim Bey, Nail Bey and Hilmi Bey were sentenced to death and will be executed in a week's time.—*Reuter.*

MOTOR MISHAPS.

TWO REPORTED YESTERDAY.

In swerving to avoid running into a ricksha, a motor-car, the number of which is unknown, collided with a car driven by Mr. J. W. Hunter at Queen's Road West yesterday. The other car drove off immediately. It is stated that damage was caused to the mud-guard of Mr. Hunter's car.

A small boy was knocked down in Nathan Road, near Market Street, by a motor cycle driven by Mr. Morgan, of the Public Works Department. The accident, which occurred at 9.15 last night, resulted in serious injuries being received by the boy and in his subsequent removal to hospital.

SOVIET'S NEIGHBOURS.

SECURITY PACTS ARRANGED.

Moscow, August 26.

The Foreign Commissariat has published a Memorandum to the effect that the Latvian and Estonian Government have declared their willingness to negotiate directly with the Soviet for a Security Pact. The Soviet Government has instructed its representatives at Riga and Reval to start negotiations immediately.—*Reuter.*

MANILA GAMBLING
PROPOSAL.SCHEME TO LEGALISE
GAMES.

POLICE OBJECTION.

An attempt to legalise some forms of gambling in Manila is being made by some members of the city council, Councillor Jose H. Guevara, chairman of the finance committee of the municipal board, having decided to present an ordinance to that effect.

Under the proposed measure, certain forms of gambling including "poker," "domino," "revisino," "hunkian" and others will be legalised during certain hours of the day upon payment of municipal license fees. It is provided that some prohibited games shall be legalised from 4 o'clock in the afternoon to 12 o'clock at night during working days, and the whole day on Sundays and legal holidays. License fees will be fixed for each gambling table depending on the kind of game played, number of persons playing and the seat of gambling. A fine not exceeding Pesos 200 and imprisonment for not more than six months or both are provided for any violation of the proposed ordinance.

Mr. John W. Green, chief of police, is much opposed to the proposal.

The police chief points out no ordinance can make games of chance legal in the city of Manila as such games are forbidden by insular law.

He also says that legalising gambling in any form would foster the practice among the citizens of the city and would make much more difficult the work of police in stamping out such forms as remained forbidden. He says that the estimated gains in city revenue would not make up for the added expenditures for police to enforce the law.

Other city officials have come out against the proposed law on moral grounds. It is expected that Mr. Guevara's finance committee will bring the bill to the municipal board this week.

FUNDS NEEDED.

THE ALICE MEMORIAL
HOSPITAL.

The Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals, which are now urgently in need of funds, are one of the principal examples of joint friendly effort of Chinese and non-Chinese to meet the need of the poor sick. The work as it is today is the growth of such effort begun over 45 years ago.

Dr. W. Young, a local practitioner, in co-operation with certain Chinese and non-Chinese friends, began a dispensary in Tai Ping Shan and the Western Districts where there were many Chinese poor. The work was so successful that in 1887, a leading Chinese gentleman Dr. (afterwards Sir Kai) Ho Kai, decided to build a hospital in memory of his late wife Alice, and the Alice Memorial Hospital was built. This hospital was at first used for the treatment of men, women and children as in-patients, as well as a dispensary for out-patients.

Dr. Young not only did what he could for the poor during his lifetime, but left a substantial fund in his will for the purpose of carrying on this work. A large part of the annual income is derived from this Young Bequest. Another gift to the hospital was made by Mr. E. L. Bellis, who made this gift towards the medicine fund. Several Parsee gentlemen and others have, from time to time, given certain sums for the purpose of leaving a memorial themselves for the benefit of the poor.

It is the hope of the Hospital Committee that the generosity of such friends may be more freely copied, as such funds help very materially towards avoiding anxiety in times of special stress.

The Hospitals have been very badly affected by the adverse circumstances of last year, and special efforts are now being made to endeavour to right the financial balance. This work cannot be carried on without adequate funds, and carefully utilised by the Hospital such funds are Committee and staff.

A Grand Concert is being organised for the Theatre Royal, full details of which will appear next week.

SPAIN AND TANGIER.

OFFICIAL EXPLANATORY
STATEMENT.

Madrid, Aug. 26.

Spain's attitude towards Tangier is officially stated to be concerned with three aspects—territorial, maritime and local.

As regards the first, Spain could not complete "the civilising mission of an international character" begun in North Africa while Tangier remains a refuge for rebels and the open door for contraband of war. As regards the second, the collective interest of all Powers is to ensure the neutrality of the Straits.

As regards the third, the international regime has been demonstrated as lacking durability.

The statement draws attention to "the natural connection between the Tangier problem and the question of Spain's position at Geneva." It urges the nations concerned to examine the situation.—*Reuter.*

GERMANY & LEAGUE.

NO FEARS OF DIFFICULTIES.

Berlin, Aug. 26.

The Reichstag's Foreign Affairs Committee has received Herr Stresemann's report on the foreign political situation. It is learned that the foreign Minister is on the whole confident that the difficulties of Germany's entrance into the League would eventually be removed. He does not expect any serious opposition by Spain which he considers is fully occupied with the Tangier problem, in which Germany is not interested.

Herr Stresemann pointed out that Lord Cecil's plan was still taken as a basis of negotiations.

The Committee, which approved of the Government's attitude, finally rejected a Communist motion demanding the withdrawal of Germany's application to enter the League.—*Reuter.*

INFANT MORTALITY.

BIG BRITISH IMPROVEMENT.

Rugby, Aug. 26.

The annual report of the Ministry of Health records that the rate of infant mortality per 1,000 births last year was 75, which is the same as the figure for 1924.

Commenting upon the big improvement which has taken place during the last thirty years, the report states that the effect of this improvement can perhaps best be seen by applying the mortality rates of thirty years ago to the figures for the past year. In 1925, the actual number of deaths of infants under one year of age was 53,000 whereas if the average infant mortality rate of 1891-1900 had been maintained the number would have been 108,780.—*British Wireless.*

NEW GREEK CABINET.

BACK TO CONSTITUTIONAL
FORM.

Athens, Aug. 26.

In accordance with the decision of the party leaders to form a Cabinet of Service, consisting of civilians headed by M. Kondylis as Head of the National Democratic Party, M. Kondylis has formed a Cabinet with himself as Minister of War and Marine, Professor Petmezias as Minister of the Interior and Justice, M. Argyropoulos (ex-Minister at Angora) as Minister of Foreign Affairs, Professor Triandafopoulos, as Minister of Communications, M. Papas, who is a distinguished surgeon, as Minister of Public Instruction, M. Drossopoulos (co-Governor of the National Bank of Greece) as Minister of Finance, and M. Nakos, (who is a lawyer) as Minister of Agriculture.—*Reuter.*

A romantic story, with plenty of thrills, is told in the film "Soul Fire," now showing at the Queen's Theatre. It is a First National picture, well up to standard, and stars Richard Barthelmess. In addition, Miss Gladys Garland, who has been delighting audiences with her singing, appears in new songs, including the popular "Valencia."

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LOCAL FLORA.

REPORT OF BOTANICAL
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The report of the Botanical and Forestry Department for the year 1925 was presented at the meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday.

During the year the total number of trees, shrubs and other plants sold was 1,476, of which 909 were the ordinary Maiden-hair ferns.

Plant specimens collected in Hainan to the number of 228 received from Canton Christian College and 139 received from the Arnold Arboretum were mounted during the year.

A large number of specimens of the local flora were collected in Hongkong and the New Territories and added to the present collections to supplement those species which are represented by only very old, and in some cases incomplete drier specimens.

On the roadsides of Hongkong, Kowloon and the New Territories shade and flowering trees to the number of 2,594 were planted.

Two new fire barriers were made during the year, one at Tai-

po Forestry. Reserves, 1,450 feet in length and another, in the vicinity of the Wireless Station at Cape D'Aguilar, 3,852 feet in length.

Hill fires were numerous and serious during the year, the total number dealt with being 68, as against 18 during the previous year, of these 11 occurred in the first quarter, four in the second, three in the third, and 60 in the fourth. The most serious fire was in the pine plantations above the Shek O Road, where not less than 10,000 young trees were totally destroyed.

The total number of persons arrested and charged by forestry guards, who experienced great trouble during the early days of the strike through raids being made on plantations, etc., was 438, as compared with 449 in 1924, and 406 in 1923. Of these 376 were fined, 23 cautioned, 7 received strokes with a light cane, 22 had their bail estreated and 5 were discharged.

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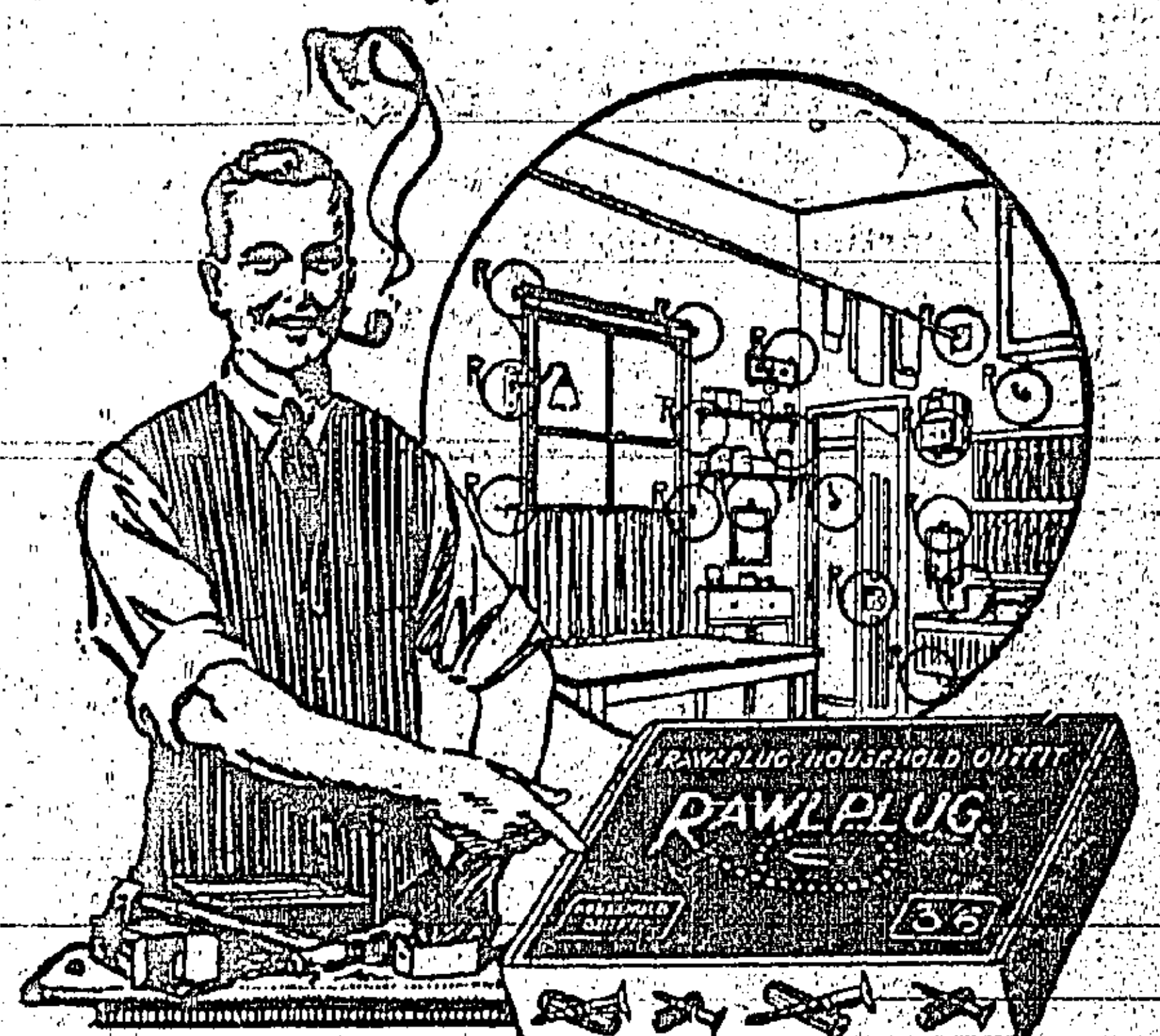
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DRASTIC ALTERATION IN LUNACY LAWS.

PROPOSED IN ROYAL
COMMISSION'S REPORT.

London, July 28.—Drastic alterations in the lunacy laws entailing the entire revision of the existing code are proposed in the report of the Royal Commission on Lunacy, just issued.

Increased protection for doctors who sign lunacy certificates and new regulations to make certification the last, instead of the first, resort when a mental patient needs treatment, and the abolition of the words "lunatic asylum" are among the recommendations.

The Commissioners urge that mental disorder should be considered in the light of an ordinary illness and not stigmatised as at present. They state that medical agencies have in the past neglected insanity as a subject for intensive

research, but they express the belief that more adequate attention is now being paid to the subject.

The Commissioners state that the "keynote of the past has been detention. The keynote of the future should be prevention and treatment."

Other important points are that public health authorities rather than the Poor Law should be the responsible authorities; an Exchequer grant should be given in aid of expenses; and that unless doctors are further protected against actions at law following certification the present system will break down.

Allegations of ill-treatment and neglect of patients are unjustified. The villa system is suggested, with no house containing more than 1,000 patients.

The reorganisation of the Board of Control is urged and a recommendation is made that every visiting Committee should have two women members.

CURRENT RADIO TOPICS.

NOTES AND NEWS—LOCAL AND OTHERWISE.

LOCAL TOPICS.

[BY "MIKE KOFONE".]

Slowly but surely the membership of the local Radio Society is increasing, and it is pleasing to be able to report that the total number of members is now 42, and applications are still coming in. It is hoped, however, and with confidence, that this number will be considerably exceeded within a week or two, and by the time the meeting on September 2nd, in the Morning Post building, takes place, it would be welcome news to have it reported that this number had been doubled. At this meeting the exact position of the Society will be discussed, and the more members that attend, the better the discussion will be, and the more suggestions will be made. All interested in local radio are invited to attend, whether members of the Society or not.

No effort is being spared to improve the local broadcasting facilities, and experiments are continually being made with the broadcasting set. Experiments have been made with some new valves which were placed at the disposal of the Society by a member, but the results were found to be unimproved, in fact, they did not work as well as the valves originally in the circuit. In addition, another microphone which gave satisfactory results on another transmitter, was not successful when tried on the Society's broadcasting set. The original valves and microphone have now been replaced, but tests with the new apparatus will continue to be made from time to time.

When the broadcasting set was in use formerly, it was, of course, in new condition, and the ammeter registered an aerial current of something like three amps, and not long ago, when put into use again by the Society a current of 5 or 6 was registered. As the result of disconnecting the existing earth on Monday, and using the counterpoise as an earth while lying on the Morning Post building, the ammeter registered almost two amps aerial current. Such experiments are constantly being carried out, and continuous improvement in broadcasting is confidently expected.

A most comprehensive and interesting programme is broadcast daily via "K.R.C." at Shanghai, and it would perhaps be useful to our local Society if I gave a brief outline of their programmes. Shanghai is well ahead of Hongkong as far as radio is concerned, but if the expected future of radio in the Colony materialises we should be able to provide listeners in with equally enjoyable and useful selections. Commencing at 9.30 a.m., the Shanghai broadcasting continues until shortly after ten o'clock at night with short intervals, and during that time stock rates, news, lectures and foreign and Chinese concerts are given.

The first items to be broadcast are exchange quotations, stock reports, forenoon opening rates, and important foreign and Chinese news. Then follow the forenoon closing rates, and, shortly before five o'clock, a Chinese musical programme is provided by gramophone. After more news and records, the afternoon opening rates are given, finishing at 8 p.m. Broadcasting is recommenced three hours later, when more news and records are given. After the closing rates have been given at 8 o'clock, the rest of the evening is devoted to music and includes the Majestic Hotel orchestra except on Wednesdays and Fridays. The wave length is 835 metres.

The Radio Supply Company in Shanghai also broadcasts on a wave length of 235 metres. The latest Columbia and Pathe records are given, foreign and Chinese lectures, and the Shanghai Share-brokers Association's daily business report. Broadcasting is from Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Saturday 6.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Special programmes

are also given, and on Sundays these include Church services and sacred concerts. Among the programmes I have been looking through is one relating to Manila, and it would appear that equally entertaining items are broadcast from "K.Z.R.Q." on a wave length of 422 metres.

RADIO CONCERT.

The Hongkong Radio Society will transmit a programme of gramophone records between 7 and 8 this evening. Items from the following list will be broadcast: "The Glow Worm Idyll" and "Nola" played by the Victor Salon Orchestra.

"Let us waltz as we say goodbye" and "What do we care if it is one o'clock," played by the International Novelty Orchestra. "La Cinquantaine" and "Vanity Waltz," saxophone solos by Rudy Wiedoeft, with Frank Banta at the piano.

"At Peace with the World" and "Lonesome and Sorry," played by the Victor Salon Orchestra. "Moment Musical" and "Le Cygne," violinello solos by Pablo Casals.

"The Bells of St. Mary's," and "John Peel," sung by the Associated Glee Clubs of America.

"Etude in A Flat Major" and "Waltz in G Sharp Minor," piano-forte solos by Alfred Cortot.

The records are Victors, supplied by Messrs. Moutrie and Co., for broadcasting purposes.

WAVE LENGTH EXPERIMENTS.

Great interest was shown by listeners in and around London in the experiments to discover the amount of interference caused when two programmes on wave-lengths 100 metres apart were transmitted simultaneously, one from the Oxford-street station, and the other from the spare transmitter at Marconi House. Something like 20,000 letters have been received by the B.E.C. on the subject.

Generally speaking, the experiments were successful. Reports received show that most people, particularly those using valve sets, had no difficulty in separating the two programmes. Many listeners, finding that the direct-coupled circuit did not enable them to separate the transmissions, introduced a loose-coupled circuit with excellent results in the second trial.

The tests are purely experimental, and there is no immediate prospect of a regular service of alternative programmes, nor will the Government departments concerned be likely to sanction the use of Marconi House as a broadcasting station for a regular system of such programmes. This means that eventually a new station will have to be erected for the purpose.

THE IDEAL RECEIVER.

The ideal at which the engineers of a broadcasting station aim is the absolutely faithful transmission of any item performed in the studio or brought in by the "land-line" from some outside source.

The ideal, which calls for equal amplification of all musical frequencies, is not yet realised; but it is within measurable distance of attainment. Meanwhile the average receiver still lags behind in its powers of reproduction.

There is, however, an increasing demand for receivers capable of giving really good quality: loud-speaker reproduction, and a review of the receiving sets which are due, to appear in the coming autumn, shows that manufacturers are alive to this demand.

In these new sets, there is a marked tendency to cut down the number of stages of amplification employed, even for the reception of distant stations. This is a very sound step, as amplification, particularly when applied before the rectifier valve, tends to bring in an undue proportion of those forms of interference known as "hush" and "atmospherics."

Also, induction from electric light mains and power lines is increased, as also is the proportion of unwanted signals that may be heard. Simplicity is the keynote of the modern receiver, and simplicity helps greatly to the attainment of efficiency.

THE "SUPERHETRODYNE" SET.

The multi-valve "superheterodyne" sets, which will be on the market in September or October are, stated to be remarkably efficient and simple to operate, and unless something even more remarkable and simple to operate is discovered, they are likely to be recognised as standard in the near future.

The "superheterodyne" is outside the ordinary rules, in that amplification is carried out at a middle frequency, where the difficulties of both radio-frequency and audio-frequency magnification are avoided. This enables a number of stages of amplification to be used, so that signals of very minute intensity, such as are picked up on a frame aerial from a very distant station, can be amplified enormously and used to

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Though most of these receivers use from six to eight valves, the control is remarkably simple, and they are ideal for use in any situation, enabling the choice of a large number of stations to be had without any trouble at all.

TRANSFORMER IMPROVEMENT.

A very considerable advance has recently been made in the design of low-frequency transformers, and the result of the intensive experimental work that has been carried out will be a boon to those listeners who desire quality as well as quantity from their sets.

At present there is no transformer that will give equal ampli-

fication over the whole musical scale. The lower notes are very poorly amplified, with the result that, save in the case of sets fitted with special amplifying apparatus employing resistances the lower notes of an organ are never heard, and such instruments as drums are heard only as a dull thud.

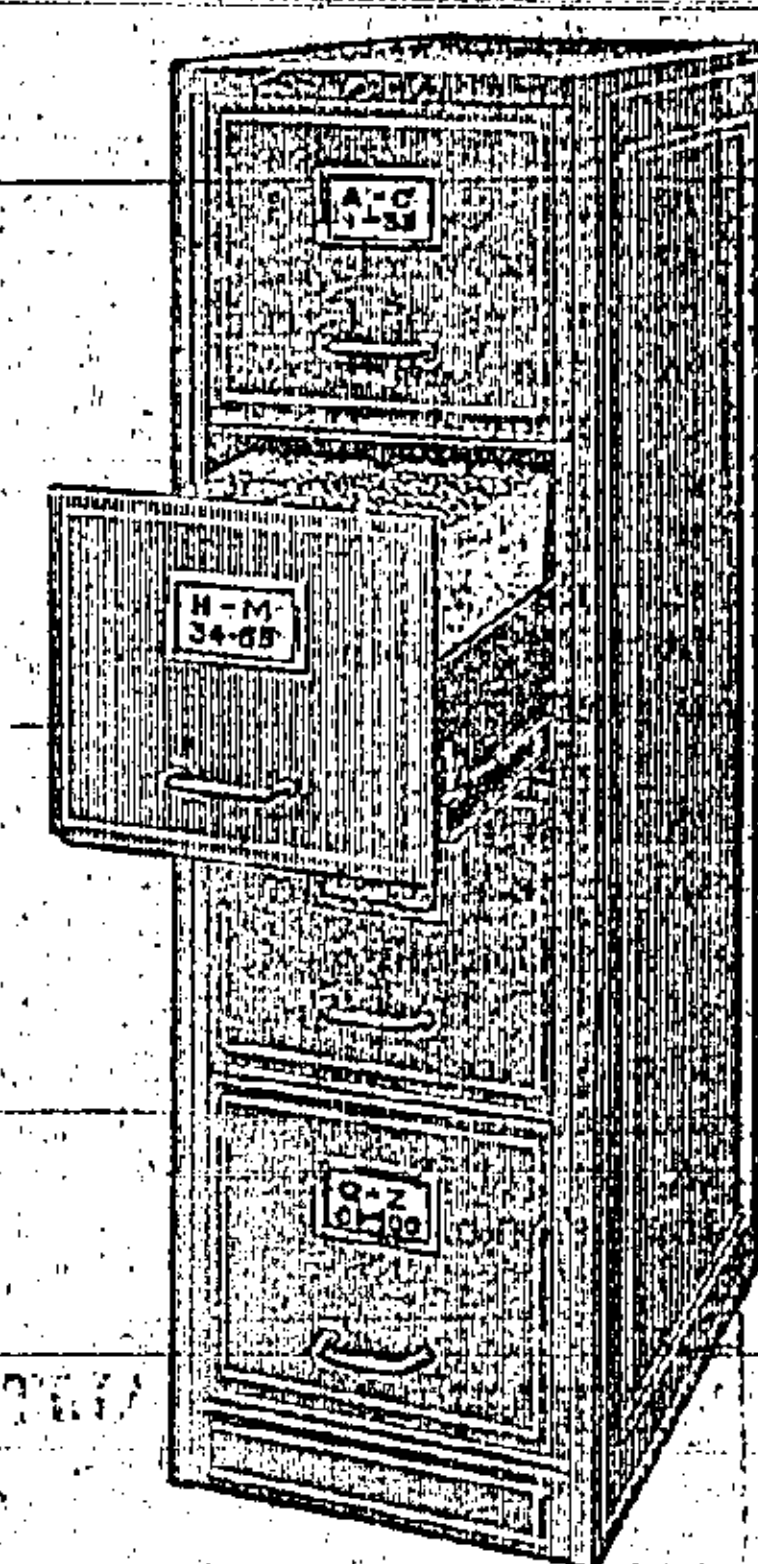
It is true that there are transformers that will reproduce side-drum and tympani, but the bass drum is practically unheard.

A recent discovery is, that a form of steel known as "permalloy," and certain nickel steels, give marked cores, improving the "frequency response characteristic" to a very marked degree. Hitherto the use of a soft iron was thought to be essential for transformer cores, and the use of steel represents a complete departure from the old principles.

The change is but another instance of the impetus which broadcasting is giving to progress in high-frequency engineering.

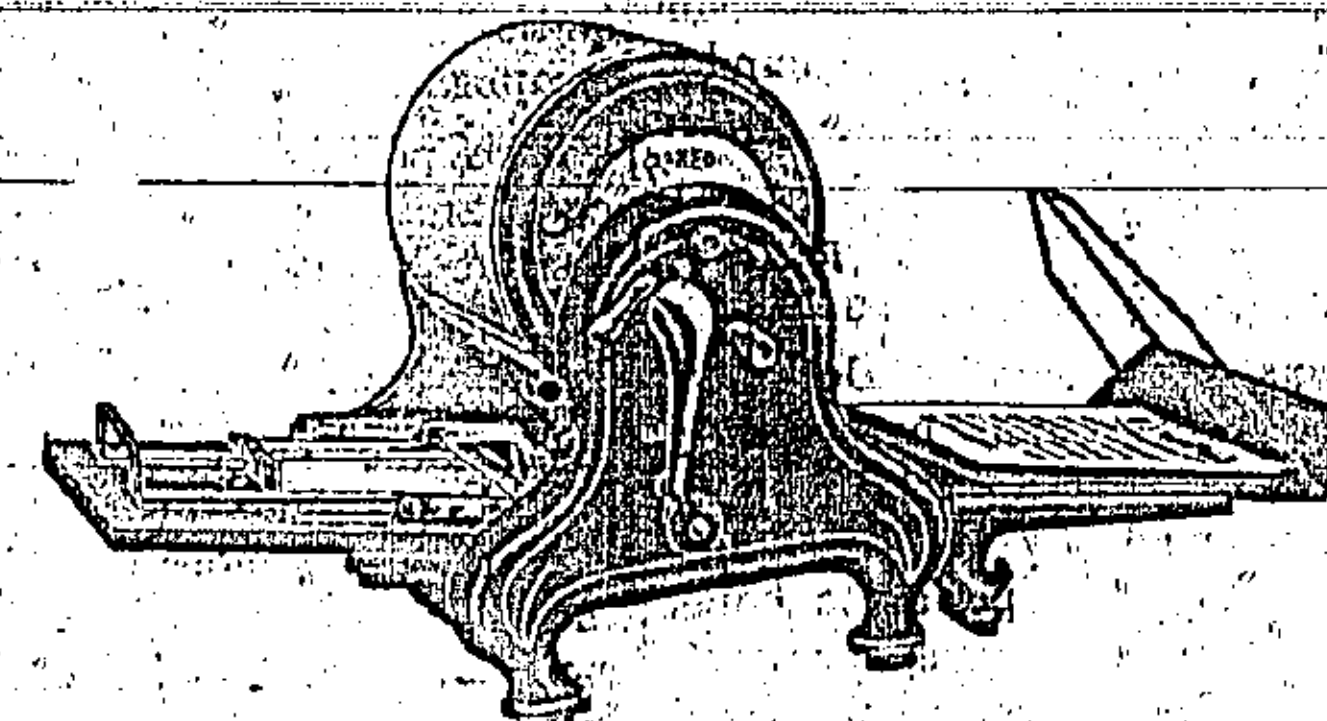
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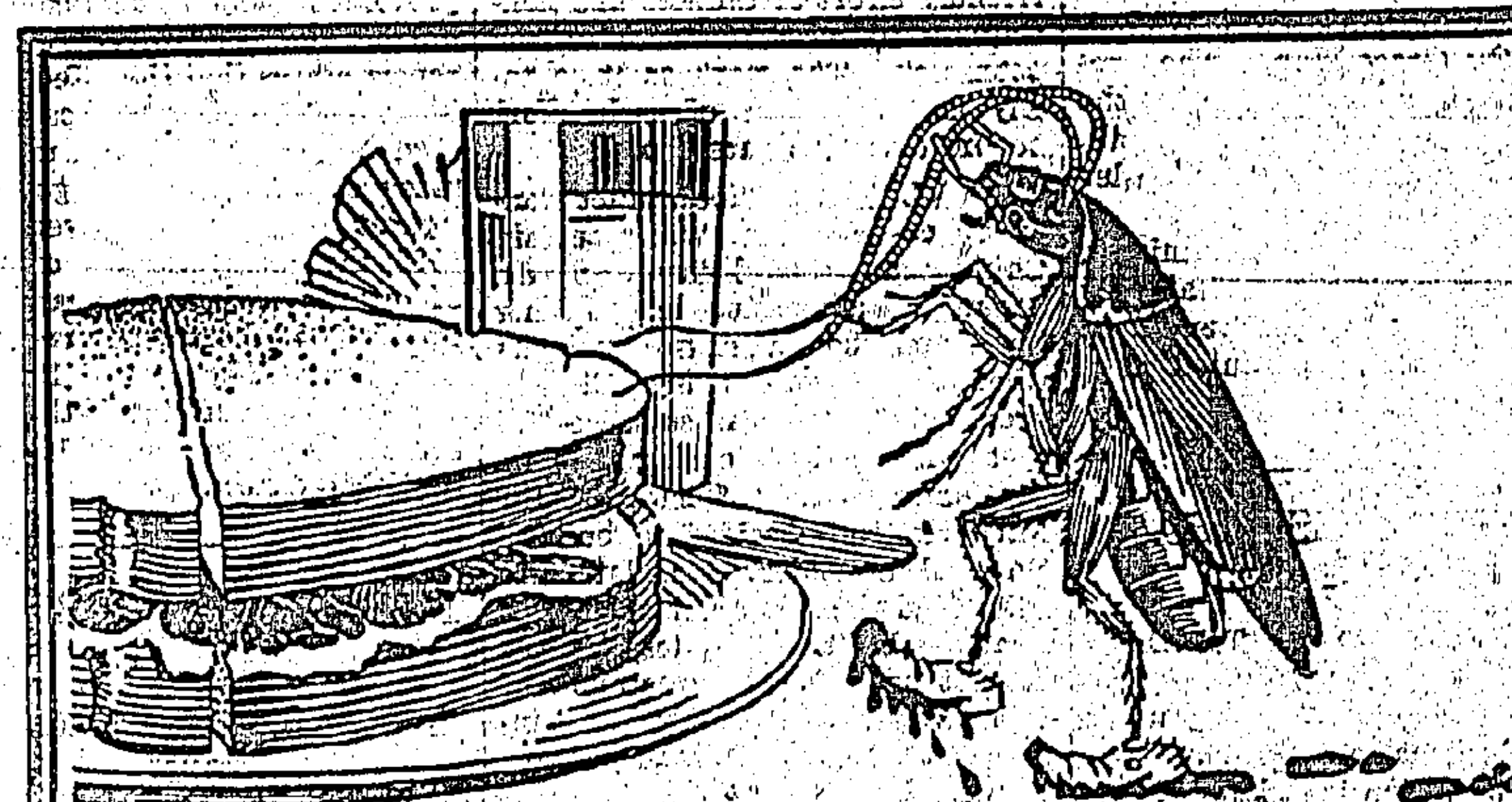


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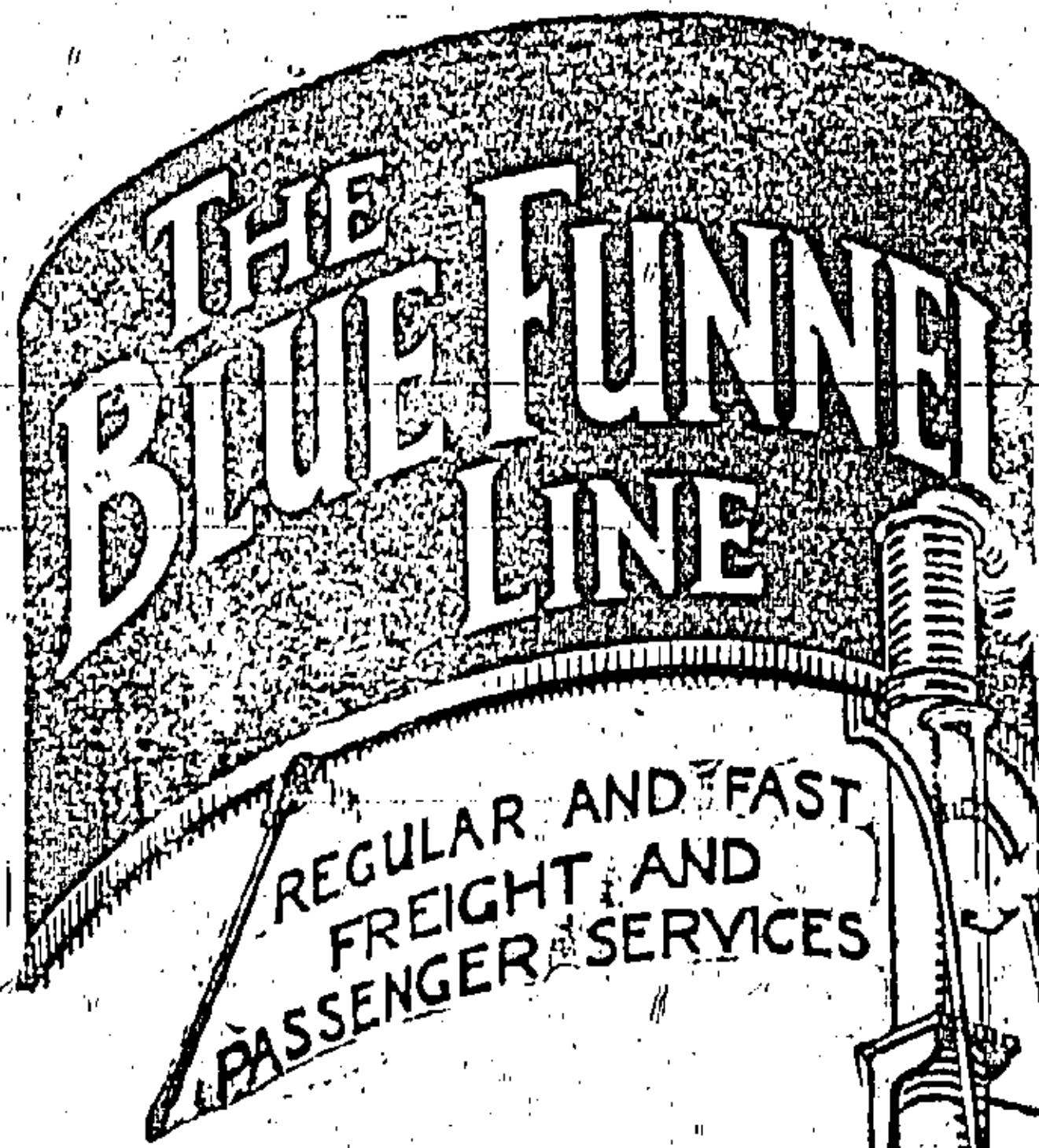
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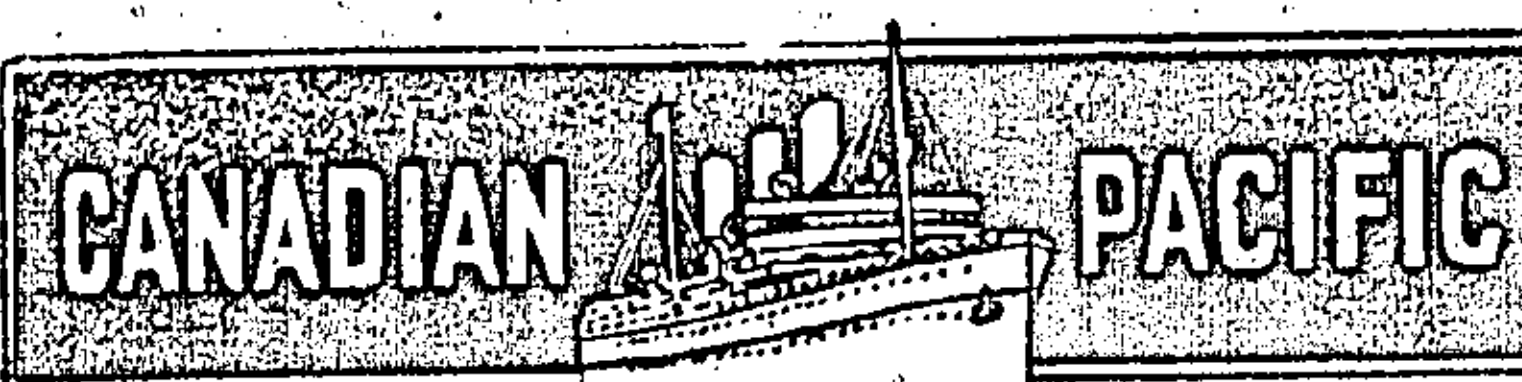
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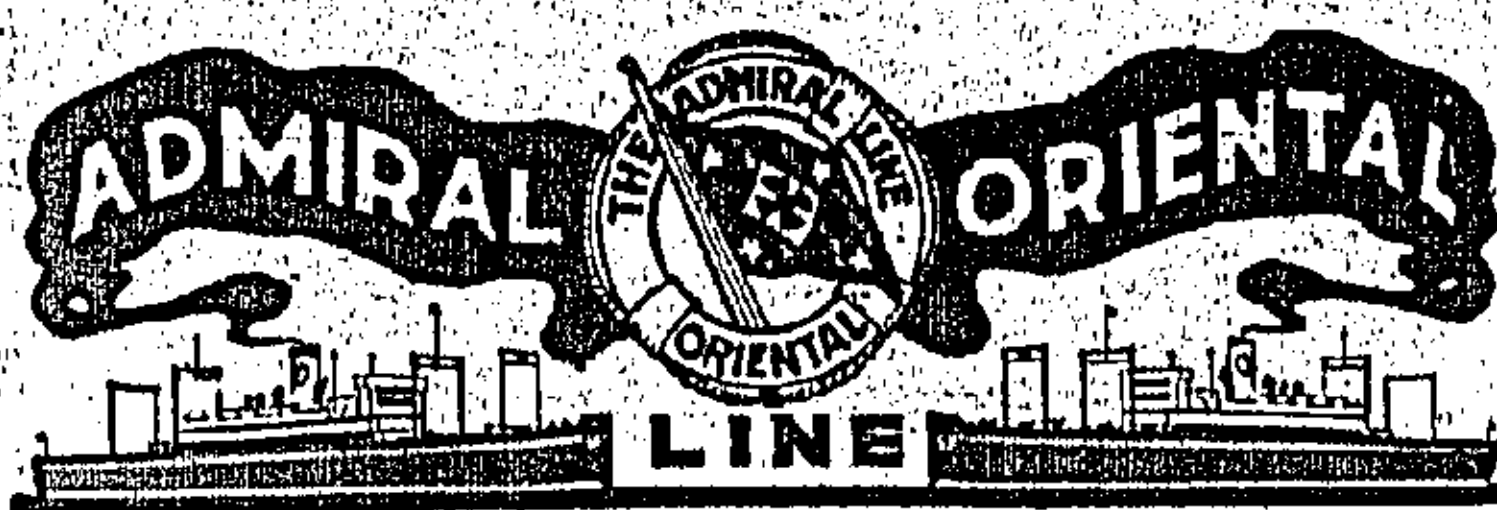
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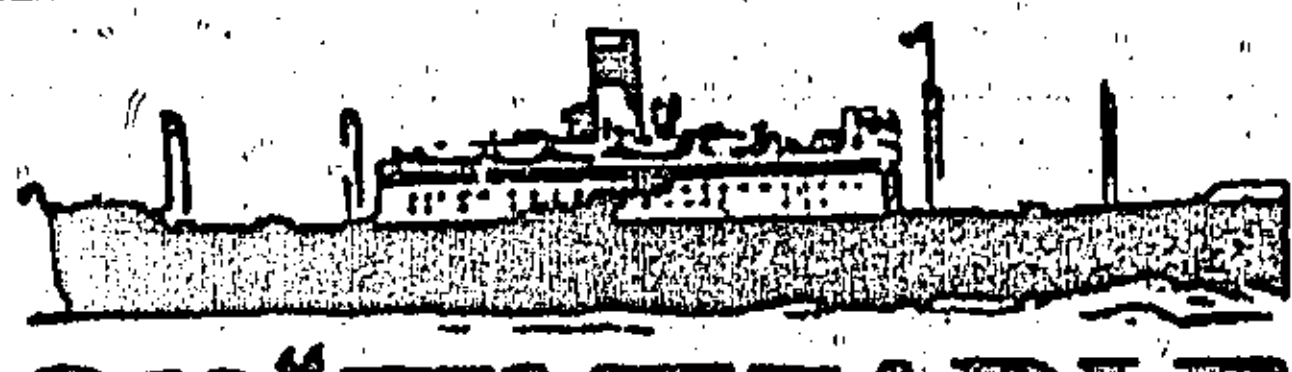
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TSINGTAU Ningpo & S'hai	Yatsang	Wed. 1st Sept at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Wed. 1st Sept at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	Chipsang	Fri. 3rd Sept at noon.
SANDAKAN	Mangsang	Satur. 4th Sept at 2 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Mingsang	Wed. 5th Sept at 8 a.m.
TSINGTAU via S'hai	Kwongsang	Wed. 8th Sept at 5 p.m.
Kobe via S'hai & Moji	Laisang	Fri. 10th Sept at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	Satur. 11th Sept at 3 p.m.
TIENTSIN	Cheongshing	Wed. 15th Sept at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fooksang	Wed. 15th Sept at 3 p.m.
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PIRATED OR NOT?
MYSTERY OF A VANISHED SHIPMENT.

In the Summary Court yesterday the Ho Yuen firm sued the Kwong Hing firm and partners, before Mr. Justice Woods, in respect of an undelivered shipment of merchandise. The Lai Tong Kee, junk owners were also quoted as co-defendants.

The claim was for the sum of \$906.36 being the price of goods entrusted to defendant for shipment to Mui Kong San Wai in Kwong Tung and monies paid on account of freight, customs dues and coolie hire in respect of the shipment, which defendants had failed to deliver or return to plaintiffs.

Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for defendants and Mr. L. D. Turner for plaintiffs.

Customs Dues Paid.

Mr. Turner opened for plaintiffs, stating that the value of goods shipped was \$902.48 and money paid, \$92.91 (customs dues, coolie hire, and freights).

On the 3rd day of 8th moon last year, (September 18, 1925), the goods were put on board a lighter, Lai Kong Tee, on the instructions of the Kwong Hing firm, at Hongkong. The receipt was produced with the firm's chop, for money paid.

The original shipment was valued at \$4,000 but part of this was the property of an up-country firm, working in conjunction and co-operation with the plaintiffs. The claim was only for that part which was locally owned.

The junk sailed and according to later information the craft was pirated. A previous case revolving upon this alleged piracy was recently before the Chief Justice who in judgment stated that he was not convinced that a piracy had actually taken place. If no piracy had taken place and the goods were not delivered, they should still be in the possession of the defendants, said Mr. Turner.

Mr. M. K. Lo in replying to questions by His Lordship stated that his clients were acting as agents for both the junk owners and consignors, but not as principals in either case.

Plaintiff's Evidence.

So Chun, partner of the Ho Yuen firm of Wing Lok Street was the first witness. In evidence he stated that he was the owner of the local firm but had only a slight interest in the up-country establishment for which he acted as Hongkong buyer.

Questioned with regard to two of the defendants witness stated that he knew them as members of the Kwong Hing firm. On September 18 they came to him to obtain information relative to some goods which witness wished to ship to Mui Kong San Wai.

Conversation was then entered into and the two visitors informed witness that they owned a junk which was sailing direct to Sunning. It was eventually arranged that the San Wai shipment would be shipped in this junk, witness standing out for the placing on board of a super-cargo, but the Kwong Hing made themselves responsible for delivery.

On the following day witness verified the facts of the junk's departure through a principal of the Kwong Hing, who informed him that freight and customs fees were increased by 20 per cent, the payment of which ensured safe delivery. The goods were eventually loaded on the junk on Sept. 3rd. Not having knowledge of the time of the junk's sailing, the super-cargo did not go with her.

Piracy Reported.

Nothing further was heard of the shipment until October 28, when the two principals of the Kwong Hing firm called upon witness and told witness the junk had sailed from Hongkong on October 13. Witness remonstrated and told them that he had asked to be informed 8 days prior to the junk's sailing. His visitors further informed him that the junk had been pirated.

Witness then told them that he held them responsible as they had not allowed him to put a super-cargo on board. On October 31, the Kwong Hing firm temporised, saying that if on enquiry they found a piracy had not occurred, they would refund costs.

Mr. Lo cross-examining asked witness why he had not persisted in his claim from October 31, 1925, to July 1926, witness replying that he had written to the defendant firm many times, besides making personal calls upon them.

Witness knew that the Kwong Hing had chartered the junk and were responsible for all goods shipped, he having entered into a direct engagement with them. He was not interested in the ownership of the junk.

A Real Piracy?

Goods had been shipped by witness to distant parts on many occasions, but this was the first time he had consigned through the Kwong Hing firm. He would not have claimed on them if he thought that a piracy had actually taken place.

Mr. M. K. Lo having elected that witness had given evidence in the High Court case previously referred to when he gave evidence against the junk owner, put it to him that the present action had only been commenced to gain more money. This latter, witness denied.

His arrangements had been direct with the Kwong Hing firm, without any intermediaries and he believed them to be the charterers.

On September 21, the Kwong Hing firm presented a bill for \$100 which witness paid.

The case was then adjourned until 10.30 this morning.

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Hongkong, August 22, 1926.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 13th September, 1926, or they will not be recognized.

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THE COAL IMPASSE.
INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT.

London, Aug. 26.

A new development in the coal dispute has been created by the decision of the Miners' Executive to ask for a meeting with Sir A. Steel Maitland.

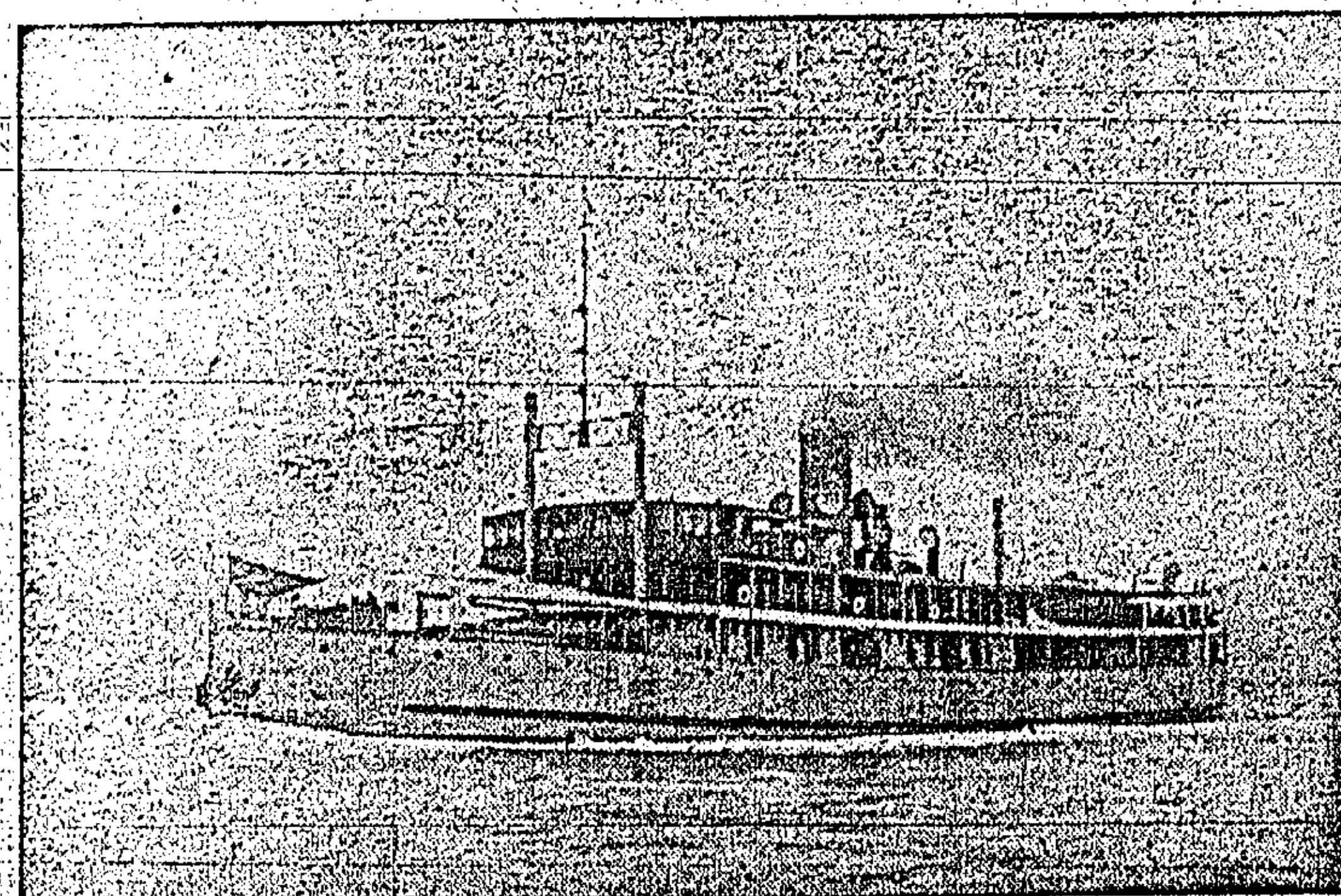
This lends additional interest to the speech of Mr. Churchill on Saturday in which he indicated the lines on which, in his opinion, a Government settlement might be reached, namely a 7½ or 8 hour day and district agreements, which, however, might be brought within the ambit of a national agreement, allowing a reasonable measure of elasticity to meet the difficulties of particular localities. —Reuter.

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KIDDERPORE	5,334	23rd Sept.	S'pore, Penang Colombo & Bombay
MALWA	10,941	18th Sept.	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	2nd Oct.	Marseilles London, Antwerp & Hull
MOREA	10,818	16th Oct.	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	30th Oct.	M'los, L'don & A'worp
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

*TANDA	6,956	27 Aug. 4 p.m.	Manila, Sandakan, Thurs.
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NELLORE	6,853	31 Aug. 6 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KASHGAR	9,005	3rd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TALAMBA	8,018	5th Sept.	Shanghai & Kobe
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DREDGING THE HARBOUR.

AN EXPERT TO SURVEY AT ONCE.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee which followed yesterday's Council the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, said there was a matter he wished to bring before the Committee, the question of dredging the Harbour.

The D.P.W. had represented to the Government that although the grounding of the two ships recently was not caused by silting in the harbour it was expedient that the mind of the public should be set at rest. He therefore asked for the appointment of an engineer who would undertake a survey of the harbour bed.

He understood they had no engineer on the staff available to undertake the survey. It was proposed to appoint a man at once to do it and to pay him to the end of the year from the surplus of personal emoluments and then place him on the estimates for 1927.

Qualified Surveyor.

The Hon. Mr. Bird: Will he be a specialist qualified for this work? The Hon. Director of Public Works: The officer who has been selected for this work is not the officer I am asking for. The one I am asking for is to relieve the officer selected who until then cannot be spared owing to pressure of work. The man has had a considerable amount of experience and has done a good deal of work in the harbour.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang: Supposing this expert recommends that the harbour be dredged in certain places, what is the position of the Government? I understand there is no dredger available unless one can be obtained from the Netherlands Harbour Works.

The Hon. Mr. Bird: We can borrow one from them.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang: Supposing they are not working there. What will be the position of the Government then? A most invidious position.

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The Chairman: I don't know how long it is since we had a dredger. Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang: The last dredger we had here was owned by the Dock Company and was sold to Australia in 1910.

The Chairman said that if dredging was recommended the matter would have to be brought before the Finance Committee and money voted to carry out the work. Whether it would be done by the purchase of dredger.

The Hon. Mr. Lang: This is a very expensive matter.

The Chairman—or by contract I cannot say. It will have to be considered when the extent of the work is known.

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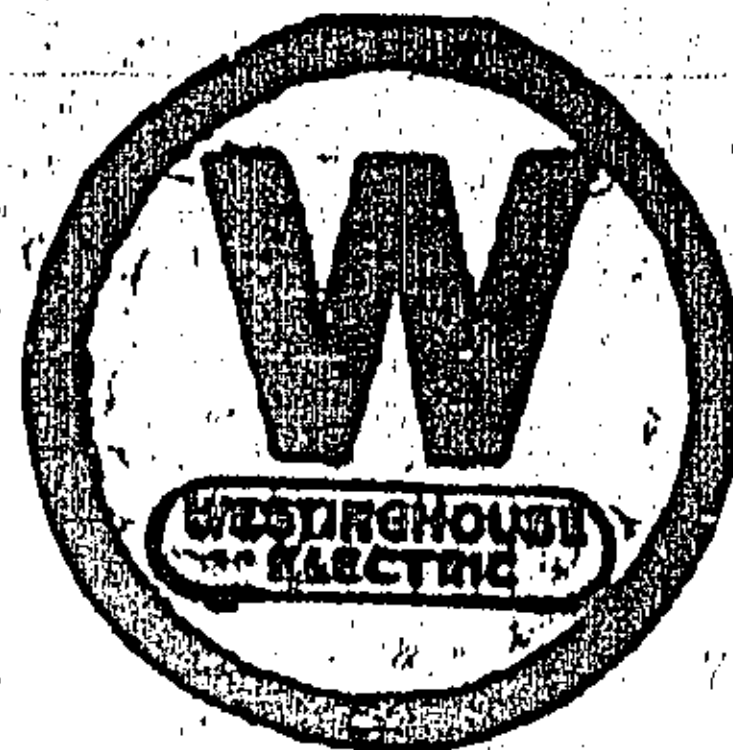
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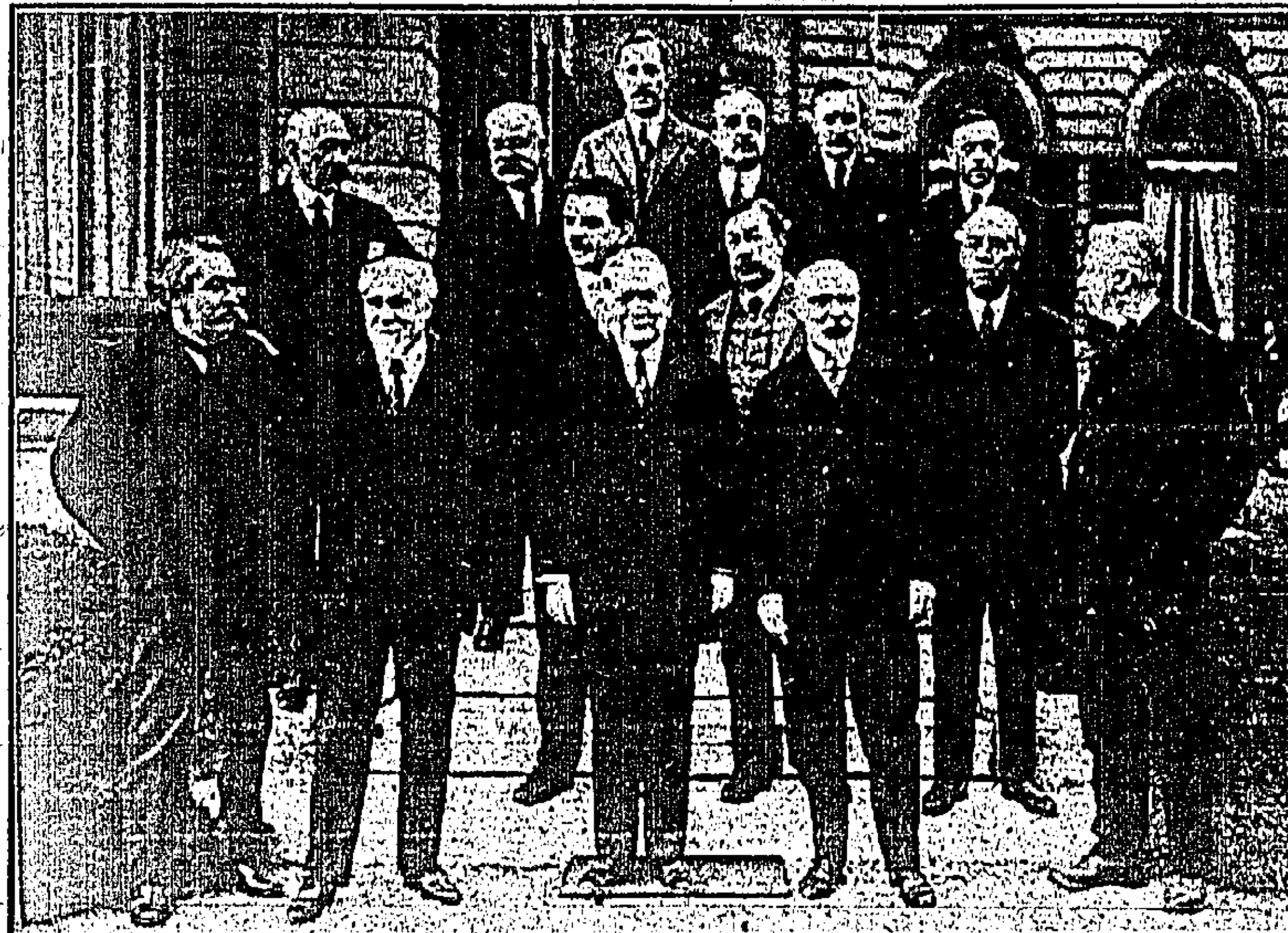
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Doumergue, Barthou (ex-Premier), Louis Marin, second row, MM. Leygues (ex-Premier),
Herriot (twice Premier), Painleve (twice Premier), Albert Sarraut, third row, MM. Leon
Perrier, Bokanowsky, Andre Tardieu, Queuille, Andre Fallieres.

"HINDENBURG" RE-FLOODED.

GALE IN SCAPA FLOW.

Rugby, Aug. 26.
As the result of a severe gale which swept over the Orkneys, the ex-German battle-cruiser "Hindenburg," which is being raised in Scapa Flow, has been re-flooded.
An Ex-German destroyer, which is being used as a breakwater for the "Hindenburg," damaged the floating dock which is now under repair. One of the large patches on the "Hindenburg" also gave way and some smaller patches also require attention before further progress with the pumping can be resumed.
The Times says that proper salvage operations will not be re-started until next week.
British Wireless.

NEAR RIOT.

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the President's emissary but they failed to appear. Colonel Langhorne suspects foul play of some kind because the other side had their full list of speakers.
Another account of the incident says:—About 100 Moro chiefs, including several local sultans, called on Colonel Carni Thompson today and discussed views regarding independence. The chiefs who travelled a long distance made a picturesque appearance as they assembled in their turbans and native costumes.
The first speakers who entered the home of Governor Orville Johnson where the meeting was held, demanded immediate independence but it was said afterward that they received pensions from the insular government. Other leaders asserted that a majority of the Moros preferred to remain under American rule and desired American teachers. They said they had surrendered to the United States and had been disarmed by the United States, believing that they would be protected from Filipino rule.

A new stalactite grotto of considerable extent has been discovered at the Hungarian watering place of Miskolc.

Bills have been laid before the Austrian Parliament for the ratification of alterations to the existing tariff agreements with Czechoslovakia and with the Belgian-Luxembourg Customs Union. The proposed tariff alterations in the agreement with Holland have also been laid before Parliament.

As a result of a serious outbreak of cholera at Johore Lunatic Asylum, which spread to the town itself, Johore has been declared a suspected area. Cholera first broke out in the Asylum on August 14, when eight cases and five deaths were reported. On August 15, three fresh cases were reported and on August 16, additional 16 cases were reported, with three deaths. There were two cases in the town, reported on August 16 and 17. Since these dates, no fresh cases have occurred either in the asylum or in the town.

ON SMOKING.

THE BUSINESS MAN'S
HEALTH.

In the case of most business men, meals and drinks are usually followed by smokes, if not actually punctuated by them, so that it is a natural sequence to discuss the question of tobacco at this stage. Food, as we have seen, becomes a poison when taken grossly in excess of the requirements of the body, drink becomes a poison when it is made the vehicle or diluent of drugs which are noxious when taken to excess. But both food and drink are necessities. The same cannot be said of tobacco. There is no necessity for anyone to smoke or otherwise to absorb the toxic properties of the tobacco plant. Tobacco is definitely a poison. The practice of smoking is an acquired taste and one acquired in some cases only after great tribulation. It is accordingly argued by a certain type of person that the habit is, therefore, radically and essentially wrong and deleterious.

Yet I know five or six smokers who freely mix still with their fellows. So sang Calverley, and it is really a sufficient answer for the practical man, for the fact is that almost all of us smoke nowadays, and we manage to carry on. Moreover, there is no doubt that man has smoked since the dawn of history, and perhaps for countless generations before history began. It is impossible to discover how long the North American races had smoked before Raleigh discovered the practice and introduced it into this country in comparatively recent times, but the earliest Chinese records show that they were smokers many thousands of years ago. There is good reason to believe that the use of tobacco may be bracketed with tilling of the soil, brick-making, and the manufacture of alcohol by fermentation as among the first uses made by man of the advantages conferred upon him by the adoption of the upright position, the consequent freedom of his upper limbs, the development of his thumb, and the potentialities of this more highly convoluted brain.

It has been stated on the highest authority that "man cannot live by bread alone," and it may well be that his complex organism really thrives best with the assistance of some of those artificial products which in the course of evolution he has been enabled to discover. After all, the results of Nebuchadnezzar's classic experiment in the "return to nature" do not appear to have been satisfactory either from the mental or physical point of view, and the royal investigator abandoned his research in order to return to the highly artificial conditions of the Babylonian Court, no doubt feeling that the growth of talons and feathers was not in itself a worthy end.

Tobacco then is definitely a poison, but it is one for which tolerance is very quickly established, and just as opium, strychnine, and many other vegetable poisons have their uses when administered in suitable doses, so the majority of smokers not only experience no ill-effects, but probably derive a certain benefit from their habit. It must be remembered

SMALL NEWSPAPERS.

SPACE-SAVING PLANS IN
ITALY.

Rome, July 14.—Although the order to reduce all daily newspapers to six pages came as a surprise, Fascist journalists at once began searching for the bright side of the situation.

One writer thinks that less space might be given to foreign correspondents; far too much was written on the English strike, and less attention might be paid to the cut of Monsieur Caillaux's clothes. It is also a good opportunity to free the sporting columns of "all the grotesque, conventional, anti-Italian language which has hitherto disfigured them." But the sacrifice should not be all on the side of journalists; official orators, he thinks, might curtail their speeches with advantage.

An eminent journalist, Emilio Faelli, says it is absurd for writers to indulge in lengthy discussions on any subject when there is a complete absence of debate, and this edict of Mussolini re-awakens his old ambition of founding a diminutive paper with potted news, entitled "For those who have no time to lose."

Ermete Zacconi, the great actor, also has a suggestion for reform. He wants all theatrical critics to be silent for at least fifty years, when apparently actors will have educated public taste in the right direction without any firesome obstruction.

It is remarkable what a lot of people are invoking silence. The official organ of the Vatican makes complacent remarks on the economy in news, which so often consists of crime. For over fifty years the "Osservatore Romano" has succeeded, in saying "all it wanted to say to the whole Roman Catholic world within the space of four sheets, and has, therefore, no liking for the voluminous newspaper—an innovation, it says of modern times.

Captain A. H. A. Conville, of Pevensey-road, St. Leonards-on-Sea, for over 50 years a magistrate, has died at Hastings. In the morning he had presided at a sitting of the Hastings Petty Sessions. Towards evening he said he felt tired and went to lie down. He died a few minutes later.

While practising on the Severn at Worcester recently for the coming regatta, the eight of the Worcester College for the Blind, came into collision with a skiff propelled by a King's School boy named Sponge. The prow of the Blind College boat gashed his thigh, and he was taken to the Infirmary.

that the possession of a human nervous system, impress a certain strain on man which may demand that combination of stimulant and sedative which is supplied by what are called "narcotic drugs," and are not required by other mammalian animals. It is, therefore, no more logical to suggest that man should abandon these artificial aids because animals do without them than it would be to urge him to live on grass like sheep and other beasts of the field.

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